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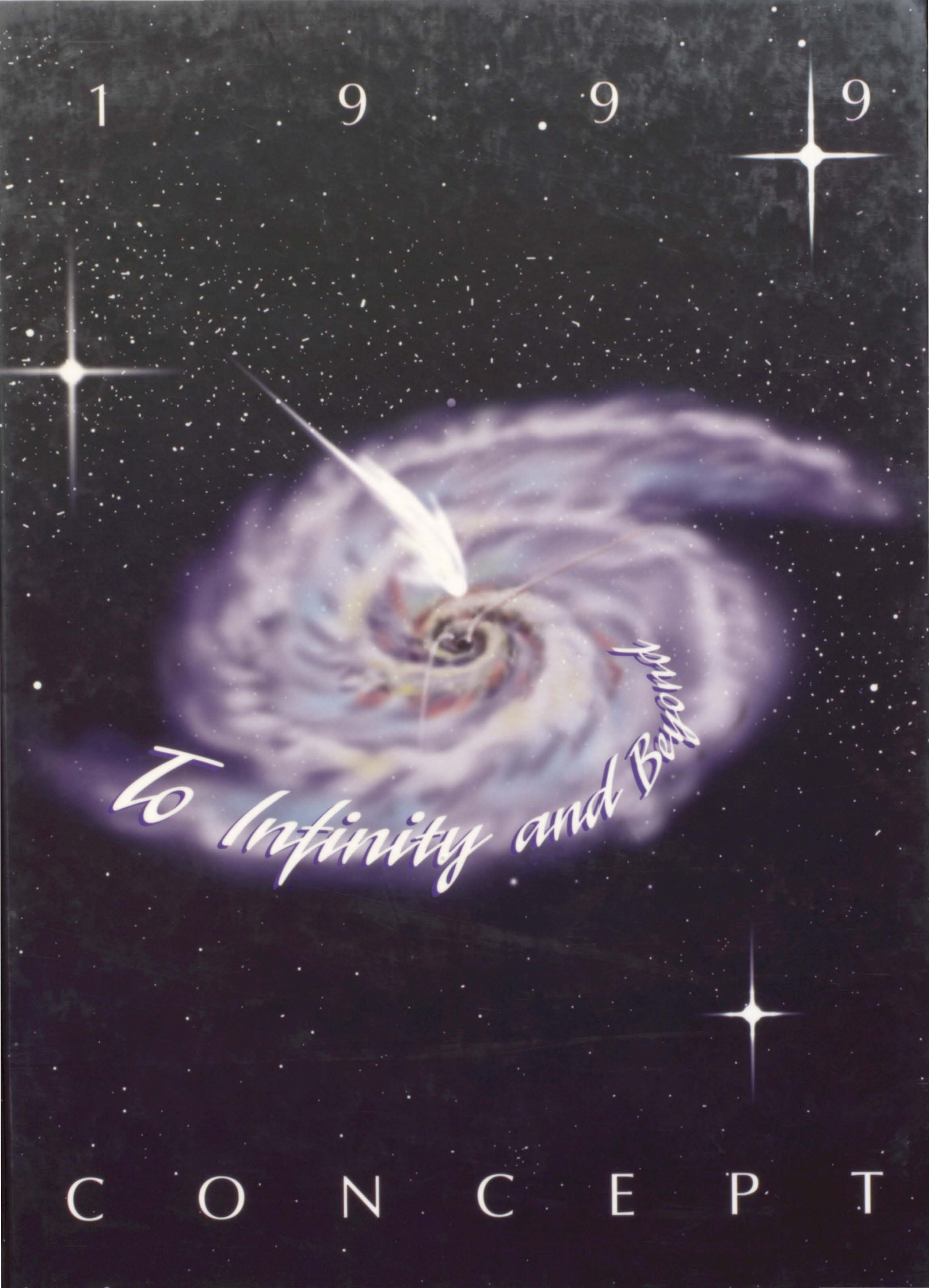

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Student Life

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Right: Senior Beth Dole poses with her little sis Emily Brachman on nerd day.

Below: Senior Jackie Paulson with Caitlin Doyle enjoying beauty school drop out day.

Above: Little sis Elizabeth Lloyd poses with Jessica Marting for a quick snap shot on beauty school drop out day.

Above: Christine Frazer prepares little sis Julie Hotel for beauty school drop out day.

Right: Michelle Frazer is the beauty school drop out winner of the day.

"Personally I liked the domineering aspect of initiation, especially senior slave day."
- Senior Stephanie Wintz

Freshman Initiation

Every Oldenburg Academy freshman is initiated into the Twister clan. Every Academy student waits for the privilege of initiating a freshman.

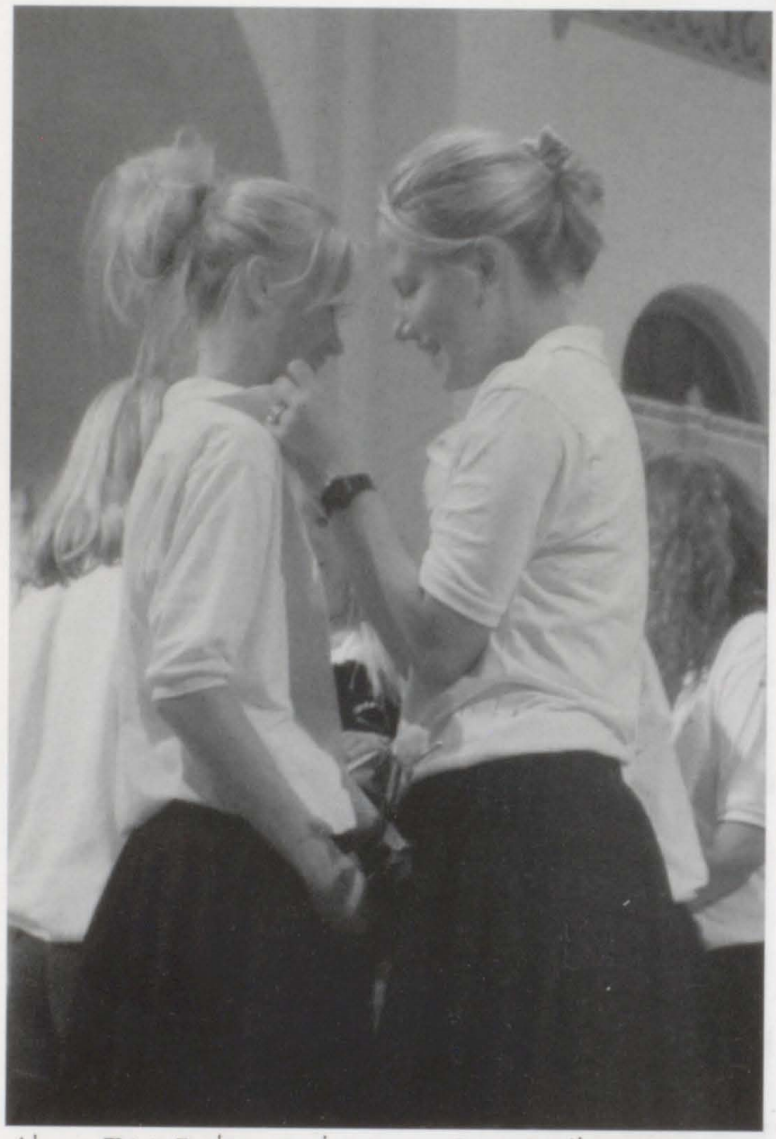
Initiation is a fun three days in which the freshmen are introduced to a new school and family, and the senior class receives a little sis to take under their wings. This year initiation consisted of a beauty school drop out day, a nerd day, and the most popular senior slave day.

Freshman Initiation turned out to be a big success. It was enjoyed by all even the freshmen who endured the senior's imagination.

Left: Kelli Nickell and Michelle Frazer pose for a friendly picture on beauty school drop out day.

Right: Jessica Meyer is elated as Kara Heinline inducts her.

Below: Anu Reddy gets officially inducted as an upperclassmen by Becca Ford.



Above: Tricia Darling pins her junior Carrie Bradley.

Left: Christine Frazer giving her junior a hug.

Below: Sarah Hagedorn recieves her pin from Molly Miller.

Junior Induction

As a freshman, you wonder if you will ever be an upperclassman. You wonder when it will be your turn to get pinned at the annual Junior Induction mass. When your sophomore year roles around, you think to yourself "Only one more year....." Then your Junior year comes. BOOM! It hits you. Life becomes rough. You must deal with harder classes, SATs, and various other tribulations. But you are also now an "Upperclassman". Finally the freshman are looking up to you, and you take advantage of the perks of being the "big kids" at school. And you finally get to get inducted at mass! Being inducted as an OA junior is definitely a thrill.

~Tabitha Mayes

Middle: Amanda Roehm, Stephanie Llyod, Katie Giesting and Rita Krekeler are all smiles after being inducted.

Left: Amelia Smith is thrilled to finally be a junior.

RESIDENT LIFE

Dorming at Oldenburg Academy

The Oldenburg Academy Resident Program came to an end this year. It has been a part of the school since it opened. The school and the students were sad to see it go. However, it didn't affect the amount of good times and memories the resident students had this year and in the past years. How could we forget all the trips to McDonald's, KFC, LaRosa's, and Skyline?

The dorm isn't the easiest thing to try to live though. It's hard to live with 20 other people on a regular basis. Sometimes you learn things about people you don't really want to know. The bell rings at 7:00 AM. Some take showers, others sleep as long as possible. Breakfast starts at 7:20 AM and lasts until 8:00 AM. Afterschool hours consist of trips to the corner store, playtime in the park, and maybe a walk. The dinner bell rings at 5:00 PM, and everyone scrambles downstairs for some more delicious cafeteria food. At 7:00 PM, it's time for study hall. You guessed it-another bell rings. Lights are out at 11:00 PM, and it starts all over. In the dorm, you have a chance to make lots of close friends, and have a good time. It's a great experience and it's a shame that future students won't be able to have this experience.

-Amanda Roehm

Above: Allison Schmitz and Crissy Rogers pause from watching T.V. to pose for a picture.

Left: Julie Frazee and Hayley Caudill look so very happy to be in the dorm.

Left: Lauren Bush and Peggy Staun are delighted to smile for a picture.

"Best of luck to all the residents next year and in all your life."

-Mrs. Davies

Above: Amanda Roehm stops for a picture before getting ready for bed.

Left: Lauren Roeder and Anu Reddy smile for the camera.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE WEEK '99

There was excitement in the air the last week of Februrary as the OA celebrated Foreign Language Week. Each of the three languages had their own individual day, complete with annoncements in that language and foriegn food for lunch. We listened to "Eres Tu" inbetween classes, and Thelma whipped up croissants and saurkraut for lunch. The grand finale of the week was the ever-popular performance of foreign language skits put on by all the language classes. We saw skits based on commercials, songs and movies, and were about such varied topics as weather forecasting, circumcision, and Monica Lewinsky. In the annual contest of best skit, German III's SNL skit and French III and IV's Seinfeld skit tied for third. Spanish IV(eighth period) won second with an uproarious version of The Wedding Singer. The grand prize went to third period Spanish IV for their Clintons vs. Hillbillies Family Feud. Foreign Language Week '99 was a great time for all the language students.

Below: Lauren Wade tries to win back Tricia Darling in Spanish IV's The Wedding Singer skit.

Above: "Yo reckon"....The hillbillies of Spanish IV try to win Family Feud.

Above right: Christa Martini is entranced by Claire Cradler.

Right: Sandy Gerster tries to overcharge the German IIIs.

Far left: Spanish III's fabulous rendition of The Wizard of Oz.

Left: Look! It's flying monkeys!

LOOK WHAT'S NEW!

FOREIGN LANGUAGE CLUB

Above: The entire foreign language club. From left to right: Top row- Shana Stegman, Dee Doll, Brenda Schneider, Kelly Koumoustsos, Nicole Schneider, Amanda Adams, Regina Yane. Third row- Gretchen Little, Emily Honnert, Katie Cloppert, Monica Cole, Emily Snuffer, Theresa Honnert, Megan Lamping. Second row- Stephanie Lloyd, Lindsey Burns, Tori Dietz, Andrea Spalding, Jean Dubrouski, Amelia Smith. Bottom row- Ami Johnston, Jodi Struehrenburg, Arien Johnston.

Above: The club officers. From left: Jodi Struehrenburg, Arien Johnston, Ami Johnston. Not pictured: Tara Bergman.

The 1998-1999 school year marked the return of Foreign Language Club. Did you think this club had disappeared forever? Not at all. The club made a splashing new return. If you like learning about new cultures, this is the club for you. The club displays interest in cultures all over the world. The club made posters to spread knowledge of foreign cultures, and had a week of foreign language fun, complete with skits, music and food. The revival of the club is owed greatly to the work of president Arien Johnston, vice president Tara Bergman, Secretary Jodi Struehrenburg, and treasurer Ami Johnston, as well as all the members of the club. Mr. Moll, Mrs. Litmer and Mrs. Westerfeld helped moderate the club and answered all sorts of questions. Overall the year was a great success for Foreign Language Club!

-Ami Johnston

DANCING THE NIGHT AWAY

The Father Daughter Dance

Oldenburg Academy kicked off their fourth annual Father Daughter Dance at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Batesville on March 6th. The night of fun began with a splendid array of food at the dinner buffet, which everyone enjoyed. Soon after, the music began and the dance floor was buzzing. Some of the more popular dances were the chicken dance, Locamotion, YMCA, and many more were carried out by the father and daughter couples with style and grace. As the night came to a close Mr. Yane strutted his stuff to "Stayin' Alive". Many of the fathers danced the night away while some simply engaged in socializing. Finally, the night of fun came to an end at midnight, and everyone departed with a smile.

By: Emily Honnert, Sarah Huffmeyer, and Amanda Roehm

Below: Two thumbs up for good food.

Above: Come on baby do the Locamotion!

Above right: Michelle Frazer and her dad dance the night away.

Right: Mr. Yane is "Stayin' Alive".

Below; A group of seniors smokin' up the dance floor.

QUOTE!

"Our dads are just a bunch of dancin' fools!"

- Becca Ford, senior

Above left: Some OA girls impersonate the Village People for "YMCA"

Above right: A group of freshmen are boogying with their fathers.

Left: Mandy Obermeyer and father are just enjoying the night.

Murder by Membership Only

"Can you say Orczy?" Murder By Membership Only was a mystery play that had a lot of laughs with a lot of suspense.

Funny situations popped up everywhere. Vanessa Prickel's collapse in the last scene lost its seriousness when Colleen McCollough yelled, 'Vanessa, I want to die like *you!*"

Anyone remember opening night's cookie mistake? It was time for tea, and the discussion was murder. Angie Brackmann accidently dropped a cookie on Kira Stegman's shoulder, in the middle of her line. Not so bad, except the cookie rested on Kira's shoulder instead of falling. But hard work and practice paid off, and after months of pulling hair out, and painting sets, the play was actually finished. The cast and crew finally were able to relax, and enjoy the cast party.

By Sarah Walsman

Above: Collen shows a little anger towards the rest of the cast.

Right: The Closed room puzzle amused everyone for hours.

Left: A crew of killers: director Mrs. Taul, Sarah Walsman, Stephanie Lloyd, Molly Widolf, Kira Stegman, Colleen McCollough, Vanessa Prickel, Angie Brackmann, Cori Biersdorfer, Stephanie Toshlong, student director Katie Giesting

"Murdered, and the phone wire cut."
-Eve Hawkins

Above: Stephanie, Collen, Vanessa and Kira enjoy a cup of tea.

Right: Angie appears to be having a nervous breakdown.

Semi 1998

"Angel"

Semi of 1998 was a blast!! It was held at the Knight's of Columbus Hall in Harrison, Ohio, which was beautifully decorated by the sophomore class. The theme for the evening was "Angel" by Sarah McLachlan.

OA sophomores, juniors, and seniors danced the night away while freshman served drinks and ever-present Randy took pictures.

The Senior Court included Liza Moll as Semi Queen, with Christine Frazier, Stephanie Wintz, and Beth Bohrer as runners-up. Megan Becker was the Semi Princess, and Christa Martini was the Sophmore attendant. Semi 1998 was definately a night to always remember.

"Semi '98 kicked toosh!"
- Angie Broering, sophomore

Above: Rita Krekler and her date Donny dance the night away.

Right: Mary Raver, Jessica Schaefer, Traci Taylor, Monica Cradler, and all their dates arrive for the fun at semi.

Left: Semi Princess Megan Becker and Semi Queen Liza Moll show off their dates, as well as their new tiaras.

Below: Jessica Meyer and her date pose for the camera.

Left: Angie Brackmann and Regina Yane show everyone how to groove with the music.

Right: The dance floor is packed with groovin' students.

Below: Amy McGill, Kristie Johannigman, and Phil Wuestefeld take a rest from all of the excitement.

Above:Clare Wukusick and her date enjoy dancing to the last song of the evening.

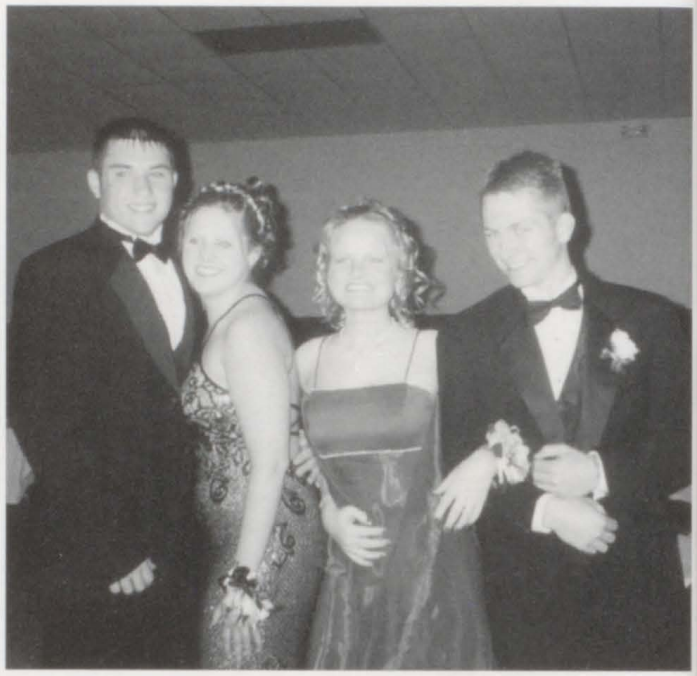
Above: Meredith McGovern's date gazes dreamily at her as she poses for a pic.

"Silver Springs"
Prom 1999

Prom this year was held at the Batesville K of C Hall. The theme for the evening was "Ballroom.", and the song was "Silver Springs" by Fleetwood Mac. The Juniors did an excellent job turning the hall into a real ballroom. There were white pillars with black, white, and red balloons. The floor was a black and white checkered board which set the Ballroom mood. There was also a fountain and a couple of latices along the wall to complete the decorations.

The upperclassmen danced the night away, and while sophomore STUCO members served refreshments.. Randy ran around taking pictures (like usual), and even Chaz, the driver of the infamous purple bus, was seen on the dancefloor. Finally at 11 court was announced. Court Queen was Vanessa Prickle and Princess was Amanda Rohem. Runners up for Queen were: 1st runner up Christine Frazer, and 2nd runner up Jennifer Berning. Princess candidates were: 1st runner up Rita Kreckler, and 2nd runner up Cori Beiersdorfer. Prom was a lot of fun and everyone who came seemed to have a good time.

Above: Seniors Amanda Luff, Becca Ford, Vanessa Prickle, and Beth Dole are all smiles at Prom '99.



Above left: The Senior class all dazzeled up for prom.

Above: Meredith Pank and Ami Johnston with their escorts.

Above: Megan Becker and Mandy Obermeyer taking a break from the action.

Above: Carrie Hoppins and Lindsey Back are all smiles.

Left: Vanessa Prickle and her date pose for a picture after being crowned king and queen.

Below; Prom queen court. From left to right: Vanessa Prickle, Jennifer Berning, and Christine Frazer.

Above: Princess court from left to right: Cori Beiersdorfer, Rita Krekler, and Amanda Rohem.

Left: Amanda Rohem, prom princess, and her date looking cute.

"All Hail the Queen."

-Vanessa Prickel, senior

Above: A group of juniors out on the dance floor cutting lose.

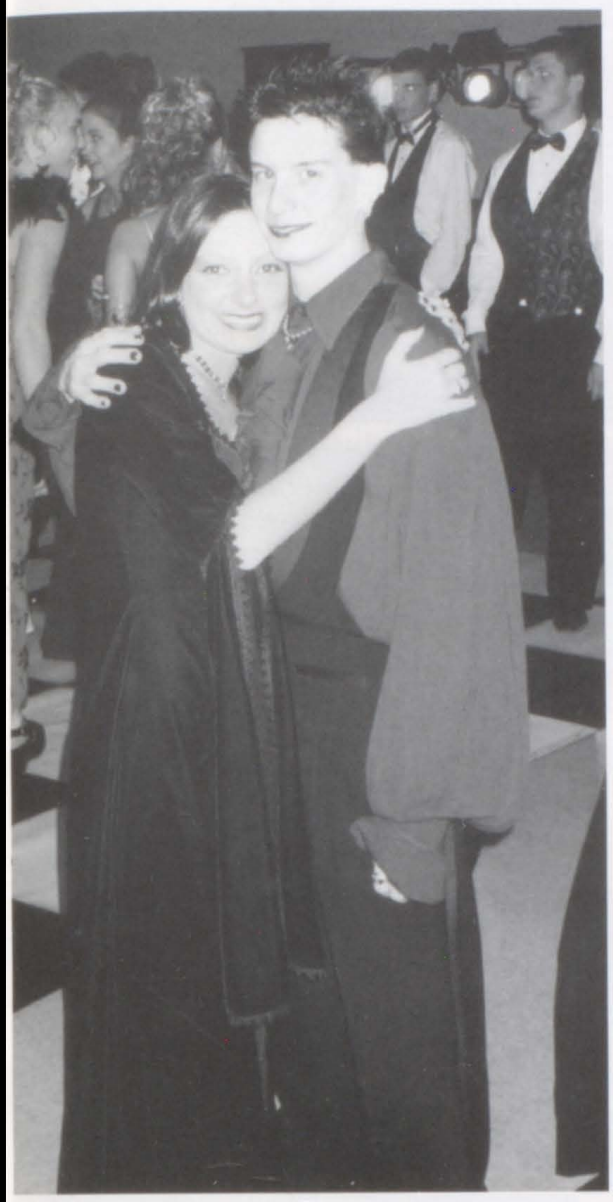
Right: Beth Dole dancing to "Cotton Eye Joe".

Above: Amanda Luff and Molly Miller pause from the action for a snap shot.

Above right: A nice overview of the dance floor.

Right: Becca Ford, Jessica Ripley, Amanda Luff, Regina Yane, and Jessica Marting look like they are having some fun!

Below: Tara Schebler and her honey Jeff.



Middle: Natalie Saccomondo and her date pose as they're getting ready to leave.

Below: Jessica Schaefer, Maria Kraemer, and Kristen Essert goin nuts.

"It was a great prom!"

- MR. YANE

Above: Mary Raver and Traci Taylor with their dates.

Above Right: Kara Heinlein and her date take a break from dancing.

Right: Jenny Lecher and Steph Wintz performing their musical duo.

Below left: Lauren Roeder is giving a poetry reading.

Below right: Hayley Caudill and Christa Martini as Luff Daddy and the family are striking a beautiful tune singing "Angel".

Above: Amy Lecher has a surprising resemblance to Stephen Tyler, and the rest of the band is very close to Aerosmith.

"This is the best talent show we have ever had!"
~Molly Miller, senior

TALENT SHOW

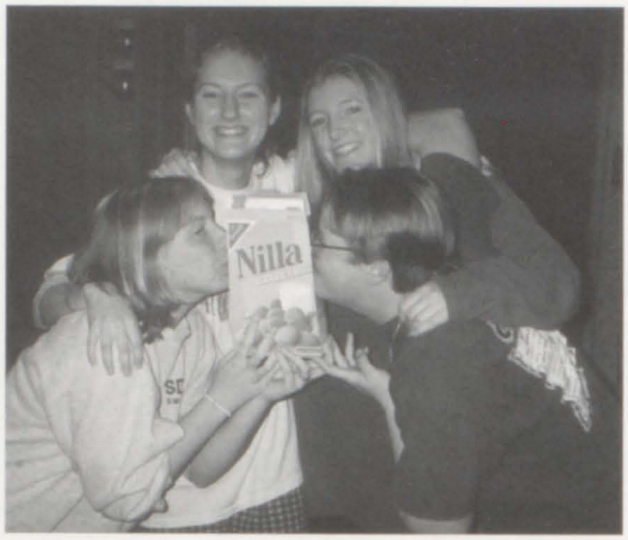
This year's talent show was a thriller! We had stars from Hollywood come and put on a live performance. Britney Spears came and sang her hit single, "Baby One More Time", and we had Aerosmith sing "Sweet Emotion." Okay so Molly Miller, Jessica Ripley, Becca Ford, Jenn Berning, Amanda Luff, Mrs. Deardorff and Mr. Moll danced the routine for Miss Spears, and Amy Lecher and her group did an excellent impression of Aerosmith. There were many funny moments in this years program! The teachers also got involved with Mr. Wolferest "streaking" through the auditorium and Mr. Moll wearing a pink sports bra. The students were sad to see this years talent show come to a close, but in the end the Britney Spears group took 3rd place, Luff Daddy and the Family got 2nd and then Director's Cut won the event with 1st place. Way to be involved girls (and guys)!

~Meredith Pank

Above (top):Mr. Wolferst is doing the famous streak performance.

Above: Emily Honert and Amanda Roehm are doing their exercise routine.

Left: Mr. Moll is doing a great impression of Britney Spears with his backup dancers.



Far left: Vanessa Prickel and Emily Nimis pause for a happy bonding moment.

Close left: Jessica Ripley, Amanda Luff, Molly Miller, Maggie Lewis, and their new friend, the Nilla Wafers Box.

Left: Traci Taylor, Monica Cradler, Mary Raver, and Jessica Schaefer try to learn about Jenny Lecher's bad habits on the swing.

Below: Jessica Schaefer and Traci Taylor explore around the lavatory.

Above: Andrea Roehm's group sitting in their group room.

Kairos 1998

For four exciting days, the senior class stayed together at the Marydale Retreat Center in Erlanger, Kentucky. We shared our life stories, and told everyone our feelings and beliefs. We also shared some laughs- everyone remember "Shalom Y'all", "Vote for Pooty Tang", or the Pillsbury Dough Boy? We'd love to tell you more about our great retreat, but that would ruin future OA Kairoses. But we will say it was a great class bonding experience which all the seniors enjoyed. Good luck on K-4 next year!

Right: Seniors having a grand time posing in Mrs. Ritter's hat collection.

Below: Some of the seniors are hanging outin the hallway with the infamous "Shalom Y'all" sign.

STUCO Activities

Every year STUCO sponsors several events throughout the year. This year they sponsored the Father Daughter Dance, Semi, the Haunted House, and the Athletic Banquets. All events were a sucess and lots of fun. All the Student Council members help set up the events, and are also required to attend them. They prepare the food for the banquets and decorate for Semi. The Haunted House takes the most time and effort. STUCO members as well as other students spend long hours turning the Academy locker rooms into a creepy haunted basement. Hopefully everyone who attended these events had a great time.

-Molly Miller

Below: Liza Moll, Megan Becker, and Stephanie Wintz slow dance after Semi court was announced.

Right: Beth Dole, Gloria Moster, Maggie Lewis, and Jessica Marting are dancing to "Love Shack".

Right: Molly Miller and Amanda Luff with their dads at the Father Daughter Dance taking a break from the action.

Left: Michelle Frazer, Jessica Holland, and Christa Martini chop up carrots for the fall sports banquet.

Below: Becca Ford and her dad looking cute at the Father Daughter Dance.

"Haunted House was so scary I almost peed my pants!"

-Steph Wintz, senior

Above: A group of crazy juniors having fun at the Haunted House.

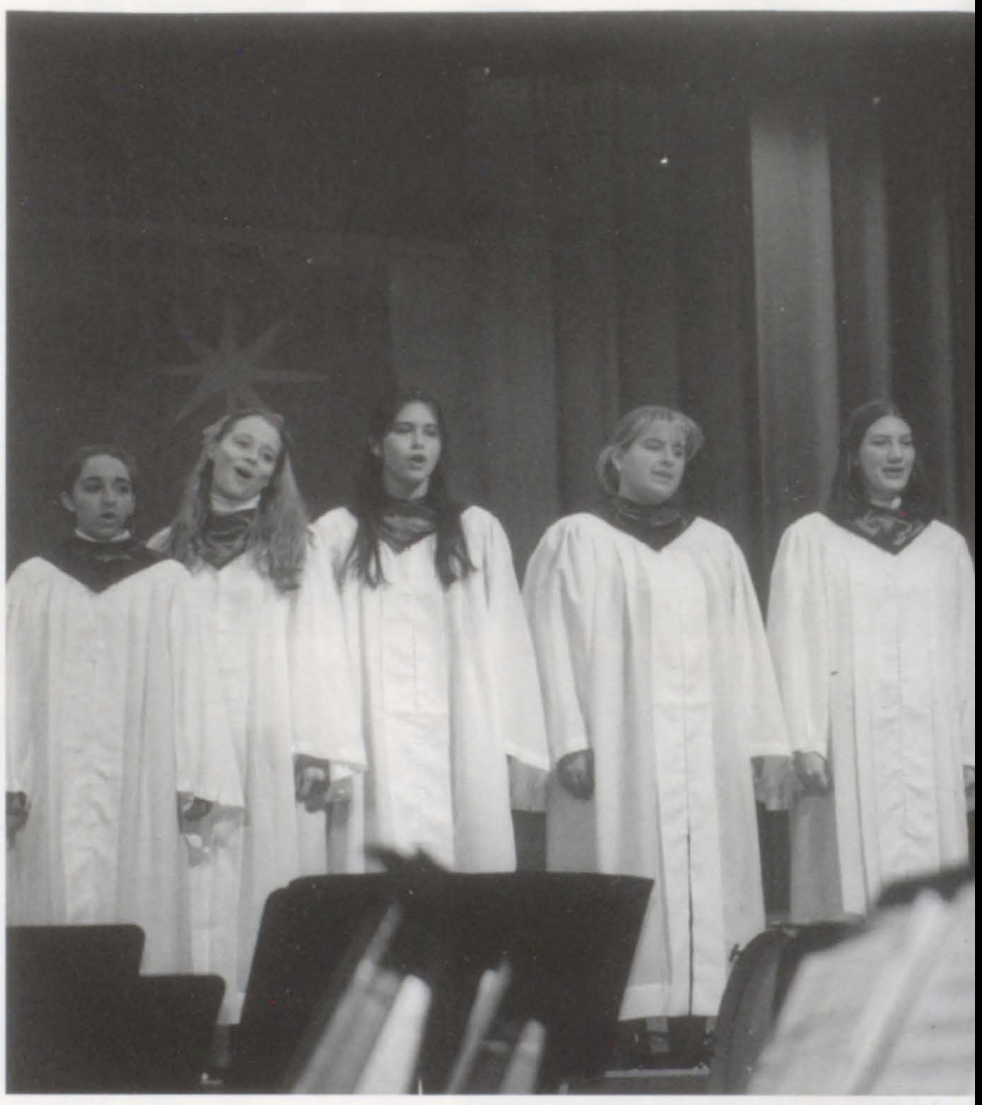
The Wise Still Seek Him- The Christmas Concert

All of those that attended this year's Christmas concert will agree that the music department has outdone themselves once again. The hours of hard work devoted by the music students created a beautifully entertaining holiday experience for an audience of all ages. Some of the highlights of the show included: Amy Lecher with her flute solo, Jackie Paulson with her clarinet solo, Amanda Luff with her piano solo, and Beth Dole's and Gloria Moster's vocal solos. The show also featured a very special drummer boy, Mary, and baby Jesus.

> "The concert was very uplifting in the Christmas spirit; fun for the whole fam!"
> -Sarah Ollier, senior

Below: Senior Amy Lecher enthralls a with her dazzling flute solo.

Above: Freshman Monica Cole shows off her impeccable talent on the trombone.



Right: Once again, the Concert Choir doesn't fail to entertain all.

The Spring Concert

Below: The Concert Choir sings "Minnie and Winnie," a senior class favorite.

The 1999 Spring Concert was filled with many new and exciting acts. The "mob scene" (as it was lovingly called) started the whole concert off with a bang. It included all of the choruses singing with the Orchestra on Beethoven's "Song of Brotherhood." The Freshman Chorus was next and included a guest appearance from the Chiquita Banana girl, a.k.a. Dee Doll. Next came the patriotic piano quartet with seniors Jessica Marting, Deann Eckstein, Jenny Lecher, and Mary Raver. After that, the Sophomore Chorus proved that they "Got Rhythm." Next in the program was a group of senior singers (Beth Dole, Angie Brackmann, Jennifer Berning, Vanessa Prickel, Gloria Moster, Meredith Pank, Tori Dietz, and Rachel Little) who sang "Reel 'a Bouche," a French Canadian lilting song.

The Orchestra played some of their favorite selections at this concert (including "The Marriage of Figaro"). The Concert Choir and Academy Singers sang many memorable tunes also. Some of the highlights were Jackie Paulson's solo in "Woodriver," Jennifer Berning's solo in "Song for the Mira," and the Academy Singers' alto section in "Old King Cole." Other acts in the concert included the string quartet, Amanda Luff's viola solo, and Kristie Johannigman's piano solo.

Left: Freshman Amanda Adams plays the bass with exceptional talent.

Above: The OA string quartet featuring Jessica Holland, Amelia Smith, Amanda Luff, and Cori Beiersdorfer.

Left: Sister Mary Ellen leads the Orchestra to excellence.

Below: The whole cast! Top row: Beth Dole, Gloria Moster, Molly Widolff. Bottom row: Stephanie Lloyd, Vanessa Prickel, Jen Berning, Angie Brackmann, Jessica Marting, Cori Biersdorfer, Becca Ford, Regina Yane.

Below: The cast carries Gloria Moster off the stage at the end of the play.

Above: Jennifer Berning tries to offer a gift to the human alter.

Left: Gloria Moster rips a broom out of Jessica Marting's hands.

Right: Becca Ford becomes Noah and calls all the animals onto the ark.

"Do the wave, girls!"

GODSPELL

Spring Musical '99

As the house lights dimmed, a hush fell on the auditorium. The crowd hung on the edge of their seats as Jesus walked on stage.....wearing tie-dye? The OA Spring Musical Godspell was an unusual telling of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, complete with parables, clowns, face paint, dancing, and much more. The cast retold the stories of the bible in a truly unique way, using songs, humor, and pantomime. The stars of the show were Gloria Moster as Stephen, Jessica Marting as David, Vanessa Prickel as Robin, Becca Ford as Herb, Beth Dole as Lamar, Jennifer Berning as Joanne, Molly Widolff as Peggy, Regina Yane as Sonia, Stephanie Lloyd as Gilmer, and Cori Biersdorfer as Jeffery.

The cast worked diligently for weeks to prepare the show, coming before the crack of dawn for rehearsal, and practicing choreography during lunch. Despite the hard work, practices never failed to be amusing. I doubt any of the cast will ever forget Sister crawling on the stage oinking like a pig, Vanessa's interesting shimmy, or all the problems and injuries caused by the box step.

The play was directed by Sister Mary Ellen and Mrs. Biersdorfer, along with help from Mrs. Taul and student director Angie Brackmann. They worked their hardest to make Godspell a success. And although it didn't get any offers from Broadway, it was definitely a fun and interesting musical.

Above: Gloria Moster attempts to separate the sheep from the goats.

Above: The entire cast grooves to the music.

Left: Regina Yane, Becca Ford, and Jessica Marting are ready to stone poor Molly Widolff.

Beyond the Uniforms...

Students

SENIORS
Hi

Above: Adrienne Maple sure does look exhausted after a wonderful day at the Academy!

Below: They sure do look happy, cause it's World History time!

Adams, Amanda
Ahaus, Lindsey
Arb, Kristen
Ball, Stephanie
Barkley, Laura
Bartling, Brooke
Brackmann, Emily

Picture not available

Brafford, Courtney
Burns, Lindsey
Buschkoetter, Alicia
Cole, Monica
Darling, Katrina
Doll, Deanna
Doyle, Caitlin

Dubrowski, Jean
Eckstein, Amanda
Flaspohler, Sarah
Fledderman, Alison
Frazer, Michelle
Frondorf, Michelle
Gilday, Rebecca

Gruber, Hannah
Hagedorn, Regina
Harber, Miranda
Honnert, Theresa
Hotel, Julie
Hotel, Lauren
Kirschner, Katherine

Left: What a lovely class, don't you think? Everyone is situated for another great experience with Mrs. Kimbrough, our English teacher.

Koumoutsos, Kelly
Lamping, Megan
Light, Tamara
Little, Gretchen
Lloyd, Elizabeth
Maple, Adrienne
Mathews, Margaret

Merkel, Heidi
Nickell, Kelli
Nobbe, Kristin
Reeves, Andrea
Schneider, Brenda
Schneider, Nicole
Schutte, Laura

Sedler, Elizabeth
Shields, Katherine
Snuffer, Emily
Spalding, Andrea
Stegman, Shana
Stuehrenberg, Jodi
Telscher, Amanda

Freshmen

"The Freshman class is awesome!"
~ Lindsey Ahaus, freshman

This year has been a great year to start off with for the freshman class. It seems like we have been a close-knit class that shows a lot of promise. We will be sad to lose some great people at the end of the year, and we wish them luck next year. We've had tons of fun this year with all the activities we've done, like the Haunted House, LaRosa's peelers, and the Father Daughter Dance. I hope everyone had a terrific year and good luck next year!

- Stephanie Ball & Adrienne Maple

QUOTES!

"THE FRESHMAN CLASS IS LIKE THE SISTER I NEVER HAD..."
- Anonymous

"The freshman had an exciting year with lots of new stuff to learn...like walking on the right side of the hallway."
-Jessie Combs, senior

Below: Lindsey Ahaus and Buffy Wintz get ready for Tae-Bo with Mr. Wolfrest. Are ya pumped?

Below: Liz Lloyd is set to learn a few n facts in Religion.

Right: Freshman are always eager to be pose for a pic before heading off to class.

Toschlog, Stephanie
Wade, Lindsay
Weiler, Katherine
Werner, Ellen
Widolff, Molly
Wintz, Elizabeth

Yeager, Allison
Yorn, Elizabeth
Zeiser, Kristen

Below: Yum! Kelli Nickell enjoys some of Thelma's delicious grub. Eat it up, Kelli!

Below: Friends til the end! Adrienne Maple, Aly Yeager, Caitlin Doyle, and Brooke Bartling take time out to say "cheese"!

Above: Miranda Harber gets ready for another fun art class. Smile Miranda!

Above: Time to get ready to learn new french words. But before Andrea Spalding and Hannah Gruber put their noses in their books, they pose for a photo.

Far left: Two friendly freshmen help each other out with a tough German question.

Below: They are so happy!

Right: There she is....Miss America!

Below: What great smiles!

SOPHOMORES

The sophomore class has had a lot of fun this year. We got to go to Semi, and we had the wonderful experience of taking the PSATs. But the things we'll remember most have to be all the random comments overheard in the halls as sophomores scuttle to class. Here are just a small sample:

-"A wet duck never dries!" - Christa Martini
- "It's a French manicure!" - Beth Weber
- "Shut up! I can't help it!" - Andrea Batta
- "I love Billy Crystal" - Laura Wade
- "Heheheheheheh!!!" - Jamie Dean & Angie Broering
- "Dirty!" - Sarah Parker

....and many, many more. And remember girls: "Don't beat your children!" - Clare Wuckasic and Claire Cradler.

~Compiled by Christa Martini, Kerri Schantz and Laura Wade

Above: Dazed and confused....

Above: Bowling tips from the Gutter Punks.

Batta, Andrea
Batta, Nicole
Bishop, Elena
Broering, Angela
Bush, Lauren

Bustle, Lori
Cradler, Claire
Craig, Bethany
Dean, Jamie
Deardorff, Amber

Dole, Sarah
Fledderman, Dana
Gangloff, Krista
Gehring, Jessica
Goedl, Laura

Left: Try the fig dip!

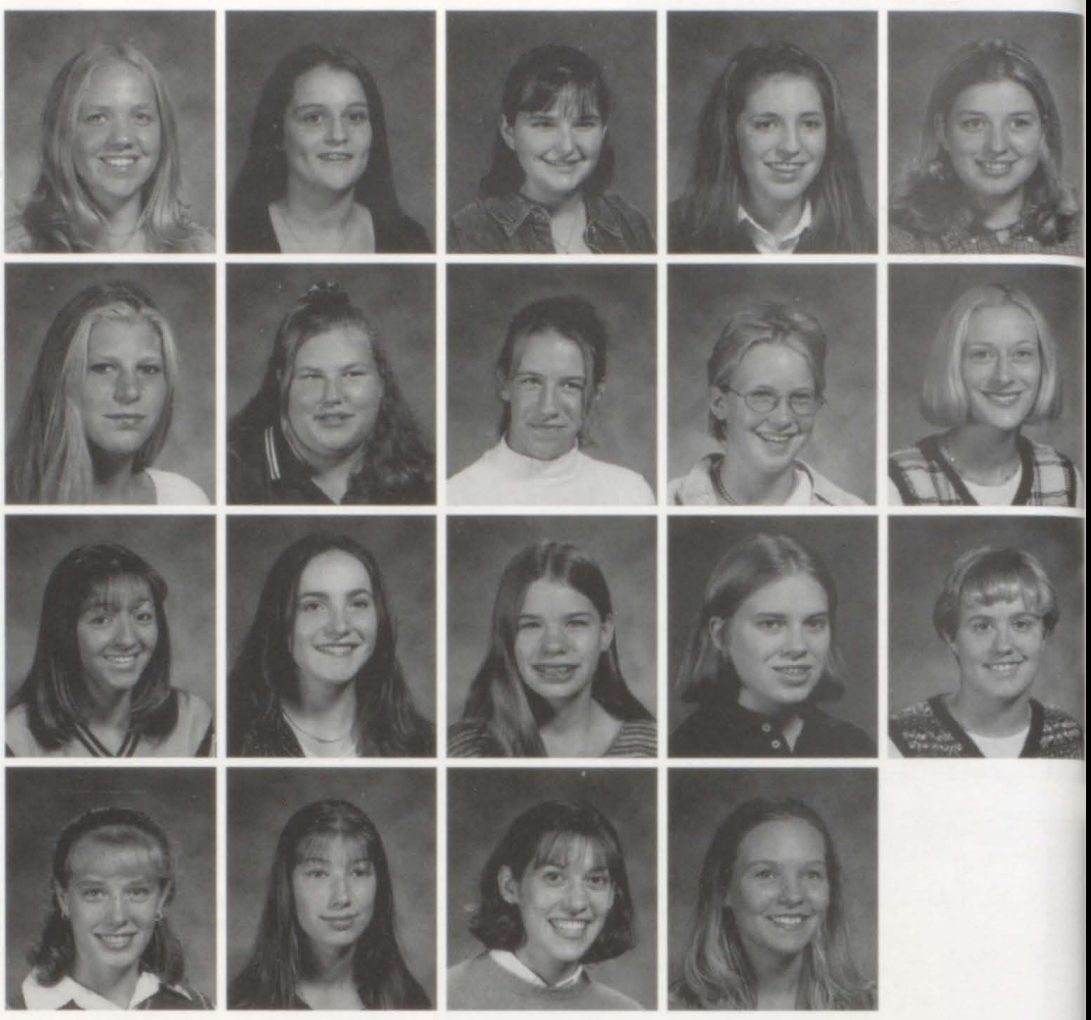
Above: Yet another pic of a sophomore looking dazed and confused.... Are we seeing a trend here?

Kraus, Lea
Martini, Christa
Miller, Jennifer
Moorwessel, Dana
Murphy, Adrianna

Parker, Sarah
Peine, Patricia
Pettit, Jackie
Roeder, Lauren
Roell, Jessica

Rogers, Cristina
Schantz, Kerri
Staun, Margaret
Wade, Laura
Wall, Paige

Weber, Beth
Wessel, Rebecca
Wukusick, Clare
Yeager, Tangy



Left: The Material Girl.

Below: She's got the look!

Left: Aren't they cute?

Below: The Speech & Drama class makes their Broadway debut.

Above left: Did these girls have too much soda?

Above: One for all and all for one!

Left: Getting Busted Bites!

CLASS OF 2000

Juniors

"The Juniors add great diversity to OA!"

-Erin Rennekamp, junior

"The Juniors are a bunch of freaks!"

-Maggie Lewis, senior

It has been another great year for the class of 2000. The Juniors greeted four new classmates with smiles this year. We had our retreat at the beginning of the school year, and it brought the class a lot closer to each other. Junior Induction was also another memorable experience because it showed us the responsibility we have towards school and towards each other. We now have an image to uphold as "Upperclassmen". The Juniors had a ton of work to do this year planning prom and having fund-raisers. The class of 2000 is looking forward to next year!

- Katie Giesting and Amanda Roehm

Above: Jessica McIntire, Katie Cloppert, and Carrie Bradley having fun during their Spanish III fashion show.

Above: Semi is a fun time to be with friends!

Amrhein, Sarah
Back, Lindsay
Becker, Megan
Beiersdorfer, Corinne
Bergman, Tara

Bradley, Carolyn
Bullock, Staci
Caudill, Hayley
Cloppert, Katie
Funk, Asheley

Geisen, Kathryn
Gerster, Kensandra
Giesting, Katherine
Giesting, Kristina
Hagedorn, Sara

Holland, Jessica
Honnert, Emily
Hoppins, Carrie
Huffmeyer, Sarah
Krekeler, Rita

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Kretschmann, Renee
Larison, Katherine
Lloyd, Stephanie
Mayes, Tabitha
McCullough, Colleen

McIntire, Jessica
Meyer, Jessica
Neukam, Beth
Obermeyer, Amanda
Reddy, Anu

Below: Megan Becker, Sara Hagedorn, Jessica Meyer, Katie Cloppert, Mrs. Weberding, Emily Honnert, Katie Giesting, and Stephanie Roelker bonding at the Junior retreat.

Above Right: Carrie Bradley and Erin Rennekamp showing off some great style during the Spanish III fashion show.

Right: Katie Cloppert and Emily Honnert are all smiles on our Junior retreat.

Below: The Juniors enjoy a game of Red Rover during the their retreat.

Rennekamp, Erin
Roehm, Amanda
Roelker, Stephanie
Saccomando, Natalie
Smith, Amelia

Stegman, Kira
Walsman, Sarah
Yane, Regina

Left: Check out Hayley's pearly whites!

Below: Jessica Holland, Emily Honnert, and Sandy Gerster showing their Christmas spirit as Christmas trees.

Left: Emily Honnert, Jessica Holland, Amanda Roehm, Sarah Huffmeyer, and Sandy Gerster are showing their school spirit during Spirit Week.

Below: Emily Honnert carrying Jessica McIntire over the threshhold during the Spanish III fashion show.

Above: Sara Hagedorn havin' some fun at the Haunted House.

Left: Sarah Walsman getting pinned at Junior Induction.

Seniors 1999

Jennifer Ellen Berning
The best way to make your dreams come true is to wake up.

Elizabeth Ann Bohrer
Reach for the moon. That way if you miss it you will always be a star.

Angela Marie Brackmann
I'm not a mad bomber, I'm a flying fortress.

Jessica Louise Combs
Imagination is life's magic carpet.

Monica Anne Cradler
If your mind isn't open, keep your mouth shut too.

Patricia Lynn Darling
For every two steps forward take one step back to get a better look at the world.

Victoria Lynn Dietz
The task ahead of us is never as great as the power behind us.

Elizabeth Renee Dole
Simple things excite simple minds.

Deann Marie Eckstein
Never take life too seriously, after all, no one gets out of it alive.

Kristen Elizabeth Essert
Never bend your head. Always hold it high. Look the world straight in the eye.

Jessica Marie Faust
I close my eyes, only for a moment and the moment's gone...

Rebecca Lynn Ford

Things change; there is no need for this dream compelled narration, the rhythm will keep me awake, changing.

Julie Marie Frazee

A true friend is one who overlooks your failure and tolerates your successes.

Christine Marie Frazer

Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery. Today is a gift, that is why we call it the present.

Katherine Ann Gehring

Life is a highway; always under construction and filled with potholes.

Lindsey Michelle Goldsmith

One man's trash is another man's treasure.

Jennifer Ann Hartman

You never know what you've got until it's gone.

Kara Judith Heinlein

Without love in the dream it will never come true.

Kristie Sue Johannigman

Smile and always be happy!

Ami Katherine Johnston

Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves.

Arien Nicole Johnston

Westside till I die.

Jessica Lee Koopman

Even a small star shines in the darkness.

Maria Irene Kraemer

Have you ever been so bored that you would have accepted a collect call from Satan?

Seniors

truckin' towards the new millenium

These past four years have been great and have gone by very quickly. Our class has gone through a lot, from being accused of starting gangs our Freshman year, to putting up those horrible trees for prom our Junior year. We became a close class and actually learned to get along with each other. Our class has always known how to have fun and make the best of situations. Our Senior year has been great and memorable. We got to experience Kairos at the beginning of the yea which was awesome and brough us all together. Saying good-by is hard, but hopefully everyone ha enjoyed high school to the fulles Good luck to everyone next yea and remember to come back fo reunions to catch up and laug about our fun times at OA.

~Molly Miller & Jessica Ripley

"One thing I've learned here at OA- I'm never going to an all girls college!"
- Lindsey Goldsmith

Right: Lindsey "Coon Eyes" Goldsmith

Above: " Who's that Twister in my tepe?" It's Gloria Moster, Ami Johnston, Arien Johnston, and Jenny Hartman!

Left: Tori Deitz, Amy Lecher, and Julie Frazee enjoy the Father Daughter Dance.

Left: Katie Gerhing looking angelic as usual.

Below: Maggie Lewis and Jessica Marting just killed Amanda Luff and are looking for another victim.

Above: Vanessa Prickle gives Godspell a thumbs up.

Left: Liza Moll and Meredith McGovern watch as Sarah Oiller shoves 11 pieces of paper into her mouth.

Left: Molly Miller and Amanda Luff party with Chantal Perisset.

Above: Christine Frazer, Meredith Pank, Jenny Hartman, and Jackie Paulson are all smiles at the Father Daughter Dance.

Amelia Claire Lecher

Be yourself. No one can ever tell you you're doing it wrong.

Jennifer Joyce Lecher

Yes, there are two paths you can go by, but in the long run, there's still time to change the road you're on.

Margaret Mary Lewis

If you can't change the circumstances, change your perspective.

Kristin Emily Lindauer

Imagination is more important than knowledge

Rachel Jade Little

Faced with mysteries dark and vast, statements just seem vain at last.

Amanda Mae Luff

Why not go out on a limb? That's where the fruit is.

Jessica Clare Marting

It is only with the heart one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye.

Amy Lauren McGill

No bird soars too high if he soars with his own wings.

Meredith Ann McGovern

All of us learn to write in the second grade; most of us go on to greater things.

Deborah Lynn Metzger

Feel free to infer what you wish from my silence.

Molly Elizabeth Miller

It's nice to be important, but it's more important to be nice.

Ana-Liza Famanila Moll

I'll be dreaming my dreams.

Gloria Jean Moster

When in doubt, nod and smile anyway!

Emily Ann Nimis

Sometimes in life you just have to stand alone and do things seen as strange in the eyes of others! P.S .Smile! Or I'll have to HUG you!

Sarah Christina Ollier

Obstacles are those frightening things you see when you take your eyes off your goals.

Meredith Laverne Pank

You don't stop laughing because you grow old: you grow old because you stop laughing.

Jacqueline Ann Paulson

One of the most striking differences between a cat and a lie is that a cat has only nine lives.

Vanessa Kay Prickel

You mean this is as good as it gets?

Mary Christina Raver

Always tell the truth, it's easier to remember.

Jessica Jean Ripley

The real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes, but in having new eyes.

Andrea Kathryn Roehm

May your life be like toilet paper... long and useful.

Jessica Marie Schaefer

Don't drive faster than your guardian angel can fly.

Tara Sue Schebler

You can be any way you wanna be; but how I'll be... that's up to me.

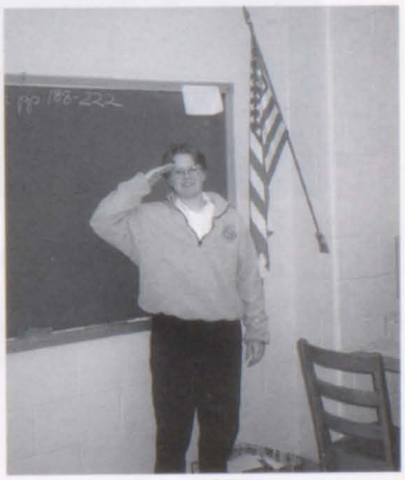
Sarah Angela Schneider

Should you yield the canyons from the windstorms, you would never see the beauty of their carvings.

Superlatives

Most outgoing: Emily Nimis
Most likely to become a OA teacher: TORI DIETZ
Most likely to marry current boyfriend: Molly Miller
Most liberal: Maggie Lewis
Hairiest legs: Kara Heinlein
Best personality: Vanessa Prickel
Most likely to become a movie star: Angie Brackman
Most likely to stay in Batesville: Sarah Ollier
First to get married: **Arien Johnston**
Most likely to succeed: GLORIA MOSTER
Coolest backpack: Becca Ford
Shyest: Charlotte Schutte
Biggest partier: Steph Wintz
Most style: **Molly Miller**
Most conservative: TORI DIETZ
Will have the most kids: Gloria Moster
Most likely to go to jail: Traci Taylor
Best eyes: Kristin Lindauer
Teacher's pet: ***Ami Johnston***
Shortest skirt: Jessica Koopman
Craziest: Jessica Schaefer
Uniform with the most holes: Vanessa Prickel

Most likely to become president: GLORIA MOSTER
Most athletic: Maggie Lewis
Biggest slacker: MONICA CRADLER
Most likely to join the military: Maggie Lewis
Best hair: MOLLY MILLER
Most likely to be rich: Lauren Wade
Best smile: Katie Gehring
Most artistic: MEREDITH McGOVERN
Coolest car: Lauren Wade
Smartest: JESSICA MARTING
Worst car: Mary Raver
Least likely to change: Gloria Moster
Best driver: Lindsey Goldsmith
Biggest flirt: Tricia Darling
Worst driver: ARIEN JOHNSTON
Most disagreeable: Maggie Lewis
Most talkative: JESSICA RIPLEY
Biggest whiner: Traci Taylor
Class clown: Vanessa Prickel
Most likely to enter the convent: Tori Dietz
Most likely to marry someone famous: Jackie Paulson
Will never marry: Maggie Lewis
Rowdiest: Jessica Ripley
Most musical: Amanda Luff



Charlotte Marie Schutte

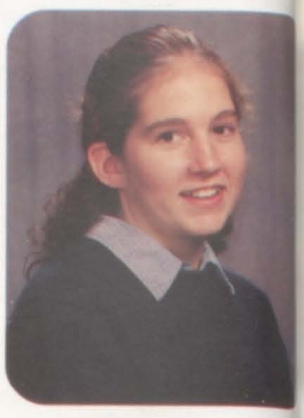
Courage is being scared to death- and saddling up any way.

Traci Jo Taylor

All of my sarcasm has truth behind it.

Lauren Rae Wade

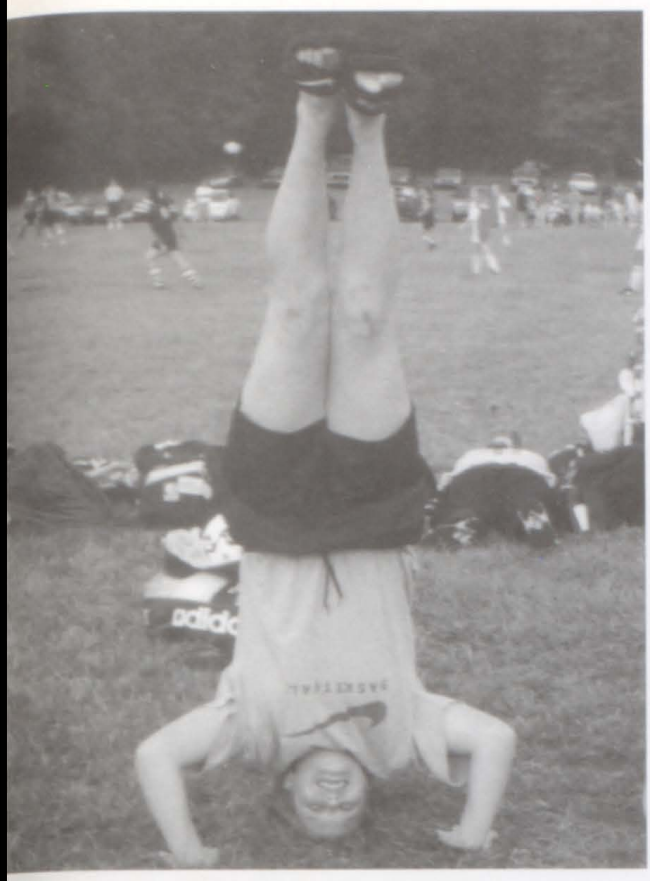
The key to longevity... keep breathing.



Stephanie Lynn Wintz

I got the hook-up, holler if you hear me.

OA Seniors 1998



Left: Way to support the soccer team, Maggie!

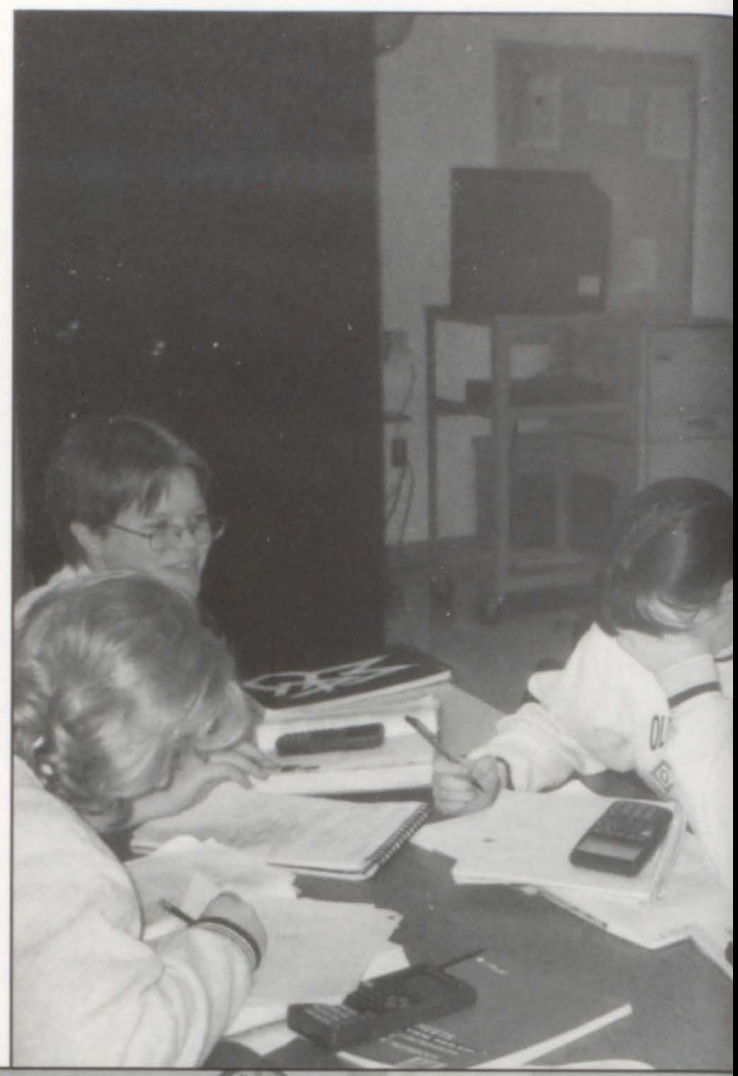
Below: Ami Johnson, Jessica Ripley, Molly Miller, Becca Ford, and Jen Berning get happy with some spray paint.

Above Left: Watch out Molly, Becca's gonna lick you!.

Above Right: Lauren Wade, Liza Moll, Meredith McGovern, Jessica Koopman, and Lindsey Goldsmith looking fabulous at Senior Mass.

Left: Instead of working diligently on her schoolwork, Gloria lounges around the basement.

Beyond the Classroom...
Academics

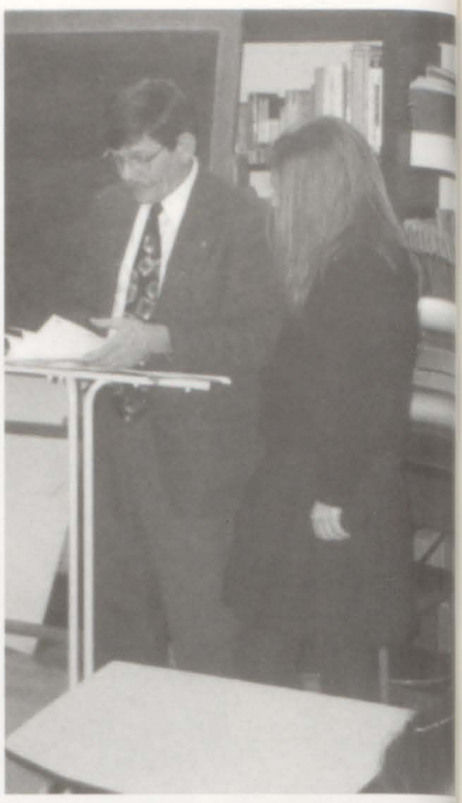


Foreign Languages

Traveling the world without leaving Oldenburg.....

At Oldenburg, students have their choice of three languages: French, taught by Madam Litmer, Spanish taught by Senora Westerfeld, and German, taught by Herr Moll. Besides learning the basics of a foreign language, students get to do a bunch of fun stuff too. In class they sing and dance, make and eat foreign food, and learn about art and culture. The foreign language students also get to take neat field trips to places like museums, Don Pablos and Wagners. Some of the Spanish kids even went to Mexico over Spring Break this year. The highlight of the year is Foreign Language Week. The students spend countless hours of class time perfecting songs and skits to perform for the school.

Below: Sara Hagedorn gets some help from Mr. Moll in German III.

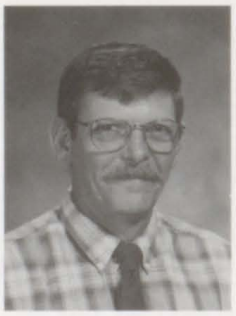


Left: Spanish II students show off their pinatas.

Below: Spanish IV discusses the intricacies of the language.

Teacher Poll:

The funniest thing that happened this year was...



Joseph Moll
"Nicole and her pet banana"

Kathleen Westerfeld

Yelena Litmer
" French II dancin around and singin 'Du Poivre de Cayenne'"

Below (above): Kristin Lindauer hangs out in the doorway to the religion room.

Below (below): Rachel Little and Becca Ford are truly pious girls.

Religion

At the former Academy of the Immaculate Conception, religion class is a big deal. Every OA student has the privelidge of four years of religious education, taught by Margarita Case and Joannie Ritter. Freshman learn about the Catholic saints and heros, and study the Old Testament. Sophomores tackle the tough subject of Christian sexuality, and have the chance to write a gospel. Juniors try tai chi and meditation in their study of world religions. They also get to plan their very own wedding. This theme continues into senior year when students learn about married life. Although some students get a little tired of all those trips to confession and the thousands of "special intentions", I'm sure we all get a lot out of our religion classes. Besides, who will ever forget the "men are like matches, women are like ovens" concept?

RELIGION IS A ROCKIN' GOOD TIME! - RACHEL LITTLE, SENIOR

Below: Amanda Roehm and Rita Kreckler devote their full attention to their religious education.

Joan Ritter

"I forgot to include the key on the exam- making it much shorter to the students' delight!"

Margarita Case

"Pennies from heaven"

Math

Let's Check it Out....

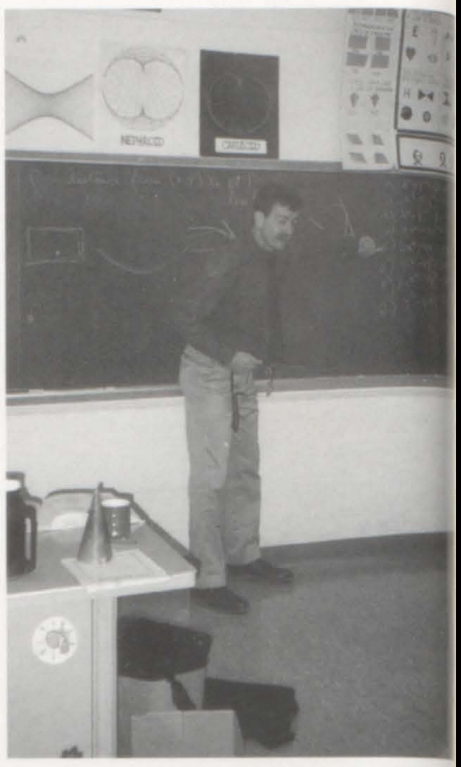
For the Oldenburg Academy students, Math has made them think in ways they never thought possible. Mr. Yane and Mrs. Merkt have challenged their students to a new height of learning.

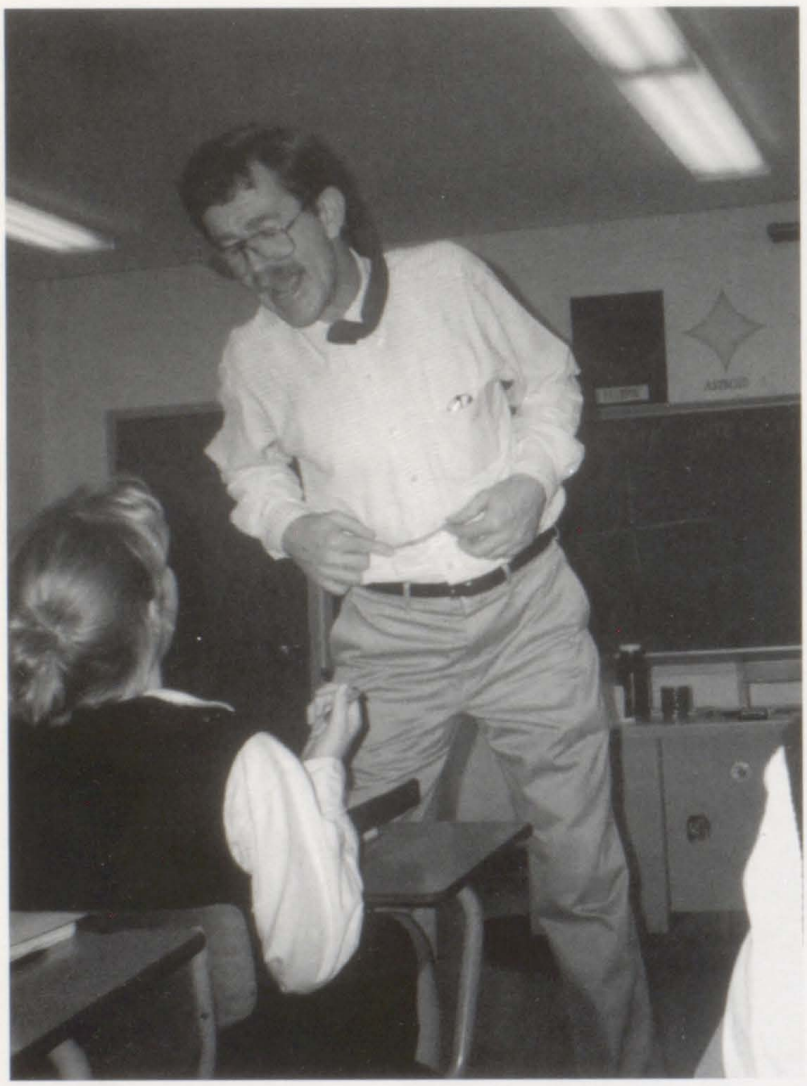
Everyday is a new adventure for the student, whether they are in pre-Algebra, Algebra, Geometry, Algebra II, Math IV, or AP Calculus. It's hard to believe some days you go to class clueless of the homework you got the night before, but come out a new person able to solve these complex equations or those impossible proofs. The students rack their brains trying to solve these problems that seem impossible, but yet are solveable.

> " You can't go beyond infinity."
> "Can R2D2 be factored?"
> -MR. YANE

~Emily Honnert, Amanda Roehm, and Sarah Huffmeyer

Below: Mr. Yane drills mathematic equations into his students heads.

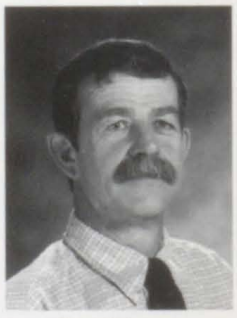




Above: Mrs. Merkt is using her knowledge to help Kristen Essert with her homework.

Left: Students back off as Mr. Yane throws back his tie, and demonstrates graphing on his shirt.

Jennifer Merkt



Gary Yane

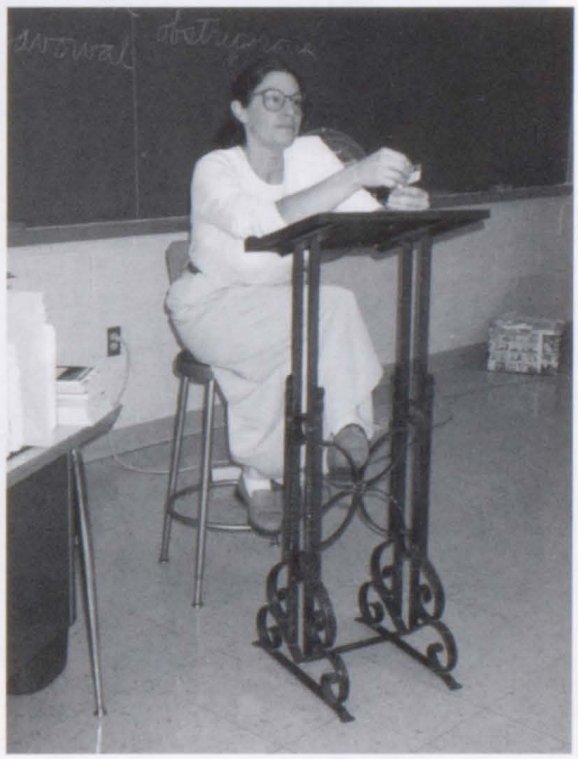
Showing Our Intellectual Side-

Above (top): The Freshman English class working hard.
Above (bottom): Mrs Yane crowns Katie Giesting Vocab Queen.

ENGLISH AT OA

The English department has a wide variety of studies. As freshmen, Mrs. Kimbrough drills grammar and other interesting things into the minds of the newcomers. The sophomores spend long hours trying to learn how to write thesis papers and understand American Literature under the careful eye of Mrs. Yane. Next, the hard working junior class (also under Mrs. Yane's direction), indulges in Greek and Roman literature and of course more thesis papers. Finally, the senior class, with their instructor Sr. Francis, read a range of works from Shakespeare to modern writers. If OA students haven't had enough English already, they have the opportunity to take Contemporary Literature class. In this class Mrs. Yane and her students pick a wide variety of novels to read and discuss.

By: Emily Honnert, Amanda Roehm, Sarah Huffmeyer, & Katie Giesting



Above: Mrs. Yane at her favorite podium.

Sandra Kimbrough

Monica Yane
"the red tablecloth and cookies for Karl Marx Day in Contemporary Lit"

Sr Francis Assisi Kennedy
"when I inadvertently referred to one of my former teachers as John Milton rather than John Melton."

Science at OA

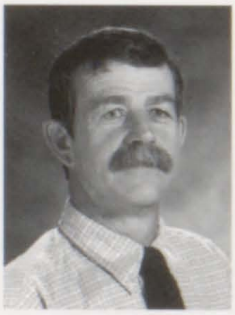
Science at OA is *Fun*! Well, maybe not always, but we're required to take at least three years, so the Science Department tries to make our science classes interesting as well as informative. There are quite a few classes to choose from. Freshman take Biology, where they learn all the basic info about the plant and animal worlds. Then students move on to Chemistry, where they learn about chemical bonds and get to play with flaming crucibles in the Chem Lab. Students can take Physics, and discover all sorts of amazing things about vectors, waves, and light. Geology is also offered, and in this class students are introduced to rocks and minerals. Finally, a brave few girls take AP Biology through a video hookup with Ball State, where the infamous Dr. Jeff teaches them everything they ever wanted to know about apical meristems and entropy . Science at the Academy offers a wide variety of info to the inquiring minds of OA students.

Right: Lindsey Goldsmith shows off her measuring skills as she weighs a calorimeter.

Below: Physics students Jessica Ripley and Maggie Lewis play with a Slinky to learn about waves.

Right center: Miss Bedel helps Carrie Hoppins with a tough Chemistry problem.

Right bottom: Beth Neukum and Amy Lecher do an experiment in AP Biology.

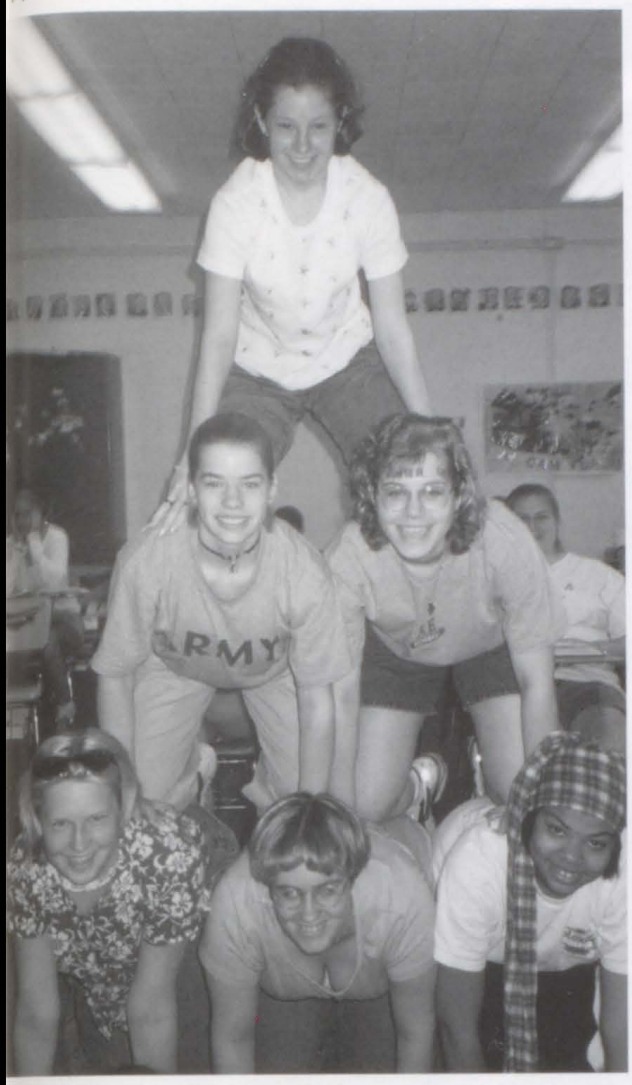


Gary Yane

Cynthia Bedel
"'Staci loves liver' and 'What's it taste like?'"

Pat Ertel
"Here comes the sun"

Below: The World History class having pyramids of fun!



History

The History classes at Oldenburg Academy consist of Psychology, Government, Economics, U.S. History, and World History. Mrs. Weberding teaches U.S. and World History, while Mr. Moll teaches Government and Economics. Mrs. Deardorff teaches the Psychology class. Psychology is the only one that is an elective, and it is definately worth taking.

The New Horizons program in Psychology is a great experience and teaches you a lot about life. In U.S. and World History you do country projects and memorize all the states and capitals. In Government and Economics you watch some pretty fun movies with William Schatner and Sally Fields. They are all interesting classes.

Left: Julie, a New Horizen client, enjoys some preztels at the Good-Bye Psychology party.

Left: Beth Boher, Molly Miller, Jessica Ripley, Jennifer Berning, and Jackie Paulson in deep discussion in Psychology class.

Above: Angela Brackman, Amy McGill, and Kristie Johannigman reading their Newsweeks in Government.

Connie Deardorff
"One of my students thought I was psychic and told on herself, assuming I already knew it."

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Charlene Weberding
"Jessica Holland's colorful article summaries and Carrie Hoppins perspiring"

Joseph Moll
"Magna Carta-need I say more? Christine?"

WHAT IS ART? ARE WE ART, OR IS ART ART?

The Art Department at Oldenburg Academy is a very happening place. The leader of the pack, Ms. Pamela Burroughs, is a very devoted teacher. She maybe teaching up to six different classes at one time, and she still has time to be in charge of Art Club. Way to go Pam! Anyway, as a beginning art student anyone can go into the class unable to draw, and come out an artist. Art I through V all do a variety of projects: pencil faces, pastel landscapes, clay plaques, computer art, and much more.

The crafts class includes beginners and advanced students. They learn macrame, weaving, clay, print making, and do many other projects.

By: Honnert, Huffmeyer, Roehm, & Cloppert

Right: Amanda Roehm and Emily Honnert are diligently painting away with water colors.

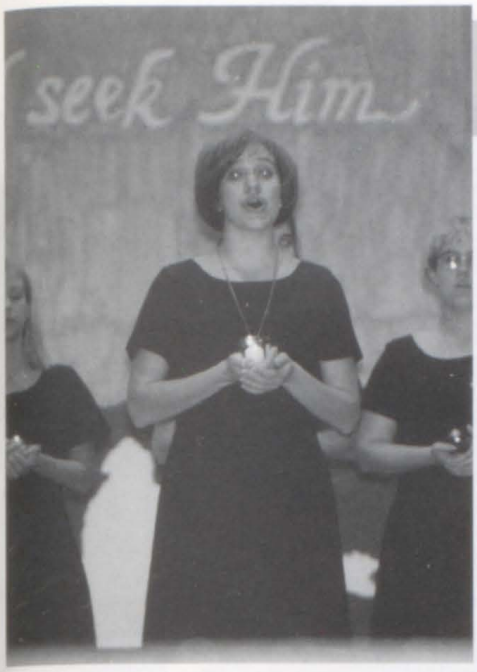
Above: Andrea Roehm and Beth Dole are sculpting out clay masterpieces.

Above: Carrie Bradley makes a beautiful bracelet for crafts class.

Pam Burroughs
"Sarah Ollier and I were looking for pictures of handcuffs for a project. We decided to look on the Internet...Need I say more? Wow was I embarrassed!"

Right: Ms. Burroughs gives pointers on how to draw the human figure.

Music Department



Above: Senior Gloria Moster leads the Academy Singers with her harmonious voice.

What's the one building on campus where any OA student can express their inner self through beautiful music? Why, it's the music building, of course! The beloved music department at OA is always bursting with life, and this year was no exception. It includes various groups such as the Orchestra, Concert Choir, Academy Singers, and Freshman and Sophomore Choruses. If a student doesn't belong to one of these groups, though, they can still be musical at OA. Weekly lessons are made available by the three wonderful teachers who dwell in the music building. They are Sr. Mary Ellen Gillman, Mrs. Beiersdorfer, and Mrs. Snape.

This year, the music department put on two concerts, a musical, and many other public performances. They will continue to be an important asset to our school.

Above: The Freshman Chorus enthralls all.

Above: Some of the music building gang hanging out together.

Left: Senior Jackie Paulson never leaves home without her clarinet.

Elizabeth Beiersdorfer

Sr. Mary Ellen Gillman
"When the orchestra was waiting to play at the Indiana Convention Center, and our young violinist lost her tooth, so we put it in Andrea Batta's blouse pocket."

Beth Snape

Beyond Our Potential....

Sports

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Right: The team from left to right: Coach Karen Snyder, Emily Brackmann, Meredith Pank, Paige Wall, Megan Lamping, Magan Mathews and Jean Dubrowski. Not Pictured; Amanda Roehm

Above: Quiet Please! Megan Lamping is concentrating on sinking her putt!

Above: Paige Wall just took a fine putt!

Quote!
"I had so much fun this year in golf and I cannot wait to play next fall!"
Amanda Roehm

Golf

VARSITY

This year in golf we had a great beginning! There were only two girls from last year that were able to come back; the rest were beginners to the game of golf!. With five out of seven beginners our team had a lot of work! In this work we had a ton of fun! We managed to hit a goose and even break a driver! With many happenings, we still managed to do our best in the end! Great Job Gals and Good Luck Next Year!

Remember to count your putts!

by Meredith Pank

Left: After a long match Coach Karen (and son) Megan and Paige walk to give their final score!

Above: Meredith Pank went for the gold with that long drive!

Right: Kate Weiler and Tricia Darling realize teamwork is the best strategy.

Above: Merle Hines and Diane Jessup's Mountain Women.

Right: You're on the straight-away! NOW! NOW!

Right: Laura Schutte passes one of our scariest competitors, Stacey Moon.

Cross-Country

INFINITE WINNING

It all started at the big V. Horseflies, raccoons, and mallows. Girls of the Oldenburg Cross-Country team were ready for the competition. Starting with the Rushville Invitational all the way to Semi-State at Southeastway Park. (our 9th consecutive time!) We pulled together for our many victories, despite our many injuries. The team consisted of 5 seniors, 1 junior, 2 sophomores, and 4 freshmen. From the seniors saying good bye to the new freshmen coming in, the Academy is sure to have success in whatever comes their way. (Go Team Kenya! Save The Village!) We love you guys!

By: Jenny Hartman and Christine Frazer

Above Left: Great stride, Katie Gehring!

Left: Great start girls!

Right: Way to leave Franklin County in the dust Jackie Pettit!

Twister Soccer

The Twister soccer season started late in July with two weeks of hard conditioning. During those two weeks of sweltering heat the team ventured to the infamous oak tree many times. Starting off we didn't know if we would even have enough players, but we eventually had a grand total of fourteen. The soccer team was very young with one freshman, eight sophomores, one junior, and four seniors. The team was led by coach Hub Martini and captains Molly Miller, Jessica Ripley, and Jessica Koopman. Everyone played hard every game despite some injuries and other set backs. Our best game was played against East Central where Krista Gangloff (an ex Tojan) scored only the second goal against E.C. in Twister Soccer History!!! It was a GREAT season girls and GOOD LUCK next year!

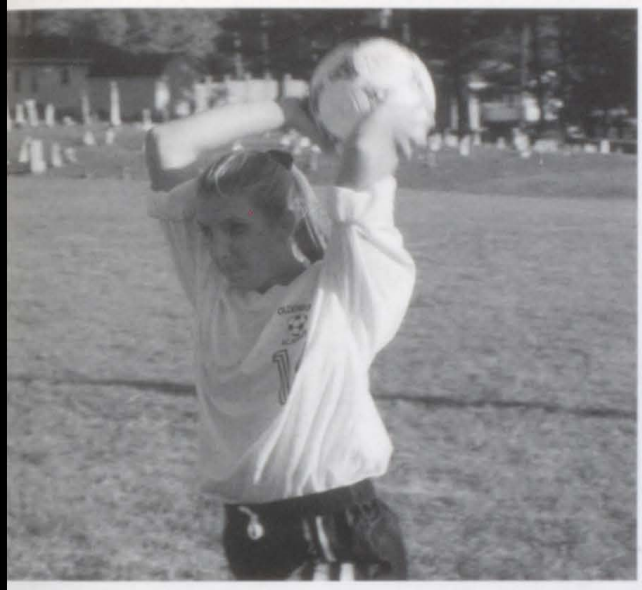
-Molly Miller and Jessica Ripley

Stats	
Us	Opp
0 Rushville	3
0 Greensburg	2
0 Harrison	8
4 Connersville	0
0 Lawrenceburg	1
1 Shelbyville	0
1 East Cental	4
1 Franklin County	6
0 Lawrenceburg	0
1 South Dearborn	4
Sectionals Tournment	
2 New Castle	1
0 Richmond	9

Above: Front Row, Left to Right: Jaime Dean, Leah Brustkern, Krista Gangloff, Lea Kraus, Becky Wessel, Jessica Koopman. Back Row: Hub Martini, Nicole Schneider, Julie Frazee, Molly Miller, Jackie Pettit, Sarah Parker, Jessica Ripley, and Staci Bullock. (Not Pictured: Lauren Bush, and Beth Craig)

Left: Jamie Dean got a head on that one!

Below: Sarah Parker could be a Show Girl with a high kick like that!



Above left: Molly Miller taunting the opponent, "Look at that face"!

Above right: An average day for Lea Kraus, dribbling around the opponent.

Left: Jessica Koopman makes a mad dash for the goal to support the defense.

SPIKIN' TWISTER VOLLEYBALL

Below: Varsity takes home a win.

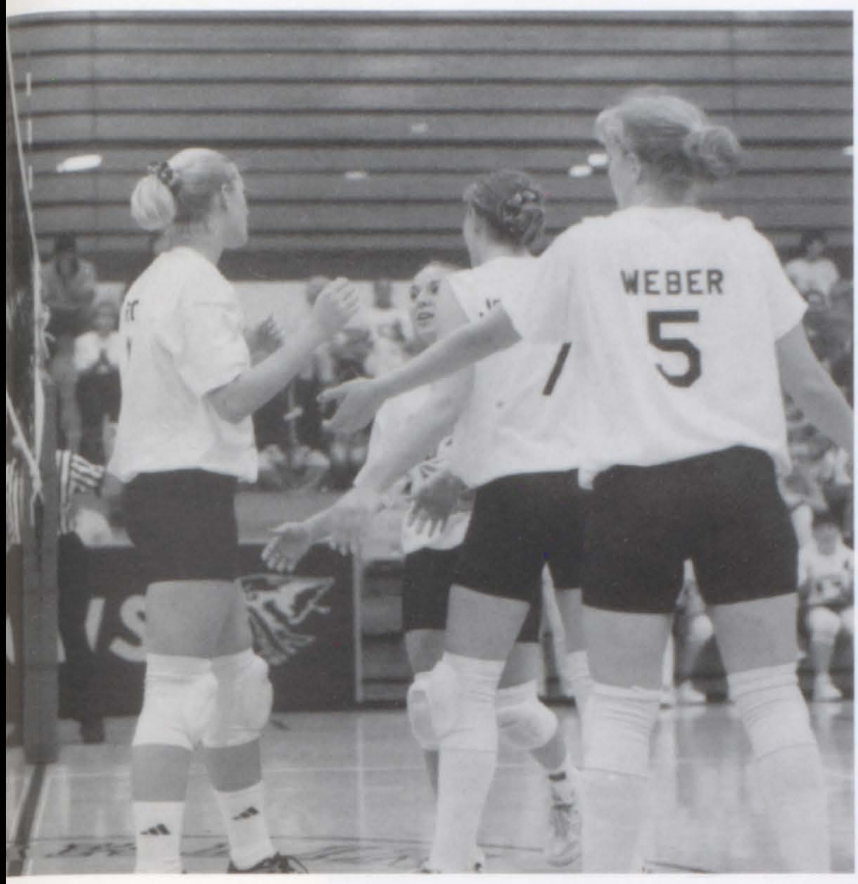
Above: The varsity team: bottom row, left to right, Beth Weber, Liza Moll, Meredith McGovern, Amanda Luff, Amanda Telscher, top row, Regina Yane, Jessica Roell, Sarah Ollier, Kelli Nickell, Kristie Johannigman

The 1998 Twister volleyball season was one of perseverance and dedication. With the addition of fifteen freshman this year, it was also a learning experience. The freshmen team, with only six members by the end of the season, did very well, taking home three big wins. The junior varsity team added many exciting games to the season as well. Following the words of their favorite cheer, they managed to bump it, set it, and spike it, because that's the way they like it!

The varsity team did not end with an impressive record, but they did show the dignity of a team that never gave up. Valuable lessons were learned, such as, never to take a watermelon on a bus. They always remembered to keep "volleyball on the brain," and they even carried their competitive spirit off the court (and into Ponderosa.) All in all, it was a good season. For next year's teams, remember to slap the wall for some good luck before your games.

Above: The JV team, bottom row, left to right: Angela Broering, Courtney Brafford, Elizabeth Wintz, Allison Yeager, Stephanie Ball, top row: Michelle Frondorf, Brooke Bartling, Tara Bergman, Lauren Roeder, Hannah Gruber, and Coach Thomas.

Above: The freshmen team: bottom row, from left to right: Monica Cole, Alicia Buschkoetter, Lindsey Ahaus, top row: Andrea Spalding, Emily Snuffer, Katherine Kirschner, and Ellen Werner.



Above: Showing team support

Above: Angie is a passing machine

Above: Sarah "Spikin" Ollier

Above: Andrea and Emily aggressively give it their all, like always.

Never forget girls- Cover the holes on the court!

OA Basketball

We had a pretty good season. It wasn't winning, but it wasn't losing either. The girls played their hearts out and the dedication showed. Many of the teams that they played were tough competition. The girls pulled together and gave it their all. The varsity team consisted of three returning seniors, one junior, and three sophomores. New additions to the team consisted of three sophomore and two freshman. The team learned to work together and had fun. It was a great bonding experience. Thanks for the memories girls, and remember "No pain, no gain!"

Even though the reserve team was small in number and height, they tried their hardest and always put up a fight. Many of their wins were come from behind. They were always unpredictable. We love our little giants!

-Deann Eckstein

Above: Maggie, Beth, and Steph chillin on the way home from a big game.

Practice like a

Play like a

Live like a

Above...The Varsity Team. Front row: Christa Martini, Lori Bustle, Steph Wintz, Deann Eckstein, Maggie Lewis, Deanna Doll, and Katie Kirschner. Row two: Assistant coach Dave Wall, Manager Jenny Hartman, Sarah Parker, Beth Neukam, Jessica Roell, Heidi Merkel, Lea Kraus, Paige Wall, and Head Coach Larry "Butch" Bergman.

Right: Amelia Smith races down the court.

Right: Sarah Parker jumps to the ball.
Far right: Look at that hair, Maggie!

"Our shots weren't the only thing falling, so were our pants!"

-Steph and Big De

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Above...Reserve Team, Front row: Christa Martini, Lori Bustle, Deanna Doll, Adrian Murphy, Shawna Stegman, Peggy Staun, and Claire Cradler. Back row: Lea Kraus, Paige Wall, Heidi Merkel, Trina Darling, Amelia Smith, Katie Kirschner, Michelle Frazer, Stacey Bullock, and Coach Dave Wall.

Left: Jessica Roell takes the ball from Deann Eckstein.

Right- Varsity Softball Players: Front Row: Liz Sedler, Sara Flaspohler, Angie Broering, Andrea Batta, Christa Martini, Deann Eckstein, Jenny Lecher Back Row: Coach Karen Schneider, Stephanie Lloyd, Lea Kraus, Sarah Parker, Brooke Bartling, Kristie Johanigmann, Beth Weber, Tabitha Mayes, Coach Dave Wolferst

Below right- Junior Varsity Softball Players: Front Row: Laura Goedl, Lauren Hotel, Elizabeth Lloyd, Shana Stegman, Theresa Honnert Back Row: Coach Karen Schenieder, Hannah Gruber, Amanda Telscher, Ellen Werner, Gretchen Little, Coach Dave Wolferst.

Left: Christa Martini concentrating on the game.

Above: Sarah Parker hard at work.

Right: Angie Broering gets ready to hit a home run.

Softball

Softball is a sport of dedication. The Twisters had a new coach this season, Mr. Wolfrest, who worked very hard to shape up the team. All the girls also put in tons of effort to make our team as good as it could be. The team had a great season this year, and we had several wins. Despite all the hard work and long practices, the team had tons of fun this season. We hope we can keep up the great work next year.

~Tabitha Mayes

Left: Beth Weber up to bat.

Below left: Deann Eckstein tries for a double play..

Above: Christa Martini waits anxiously on deck.

Left: Mr. Wolfrest congratulates Lea Kraus on a great inning.

Far left: Brooke Bartling being a great catcher, as she is and always will be.

Left: Katie Giesen giving our assistant coach, Mrs. Giesen, her scores after a hard match against Franklin County.

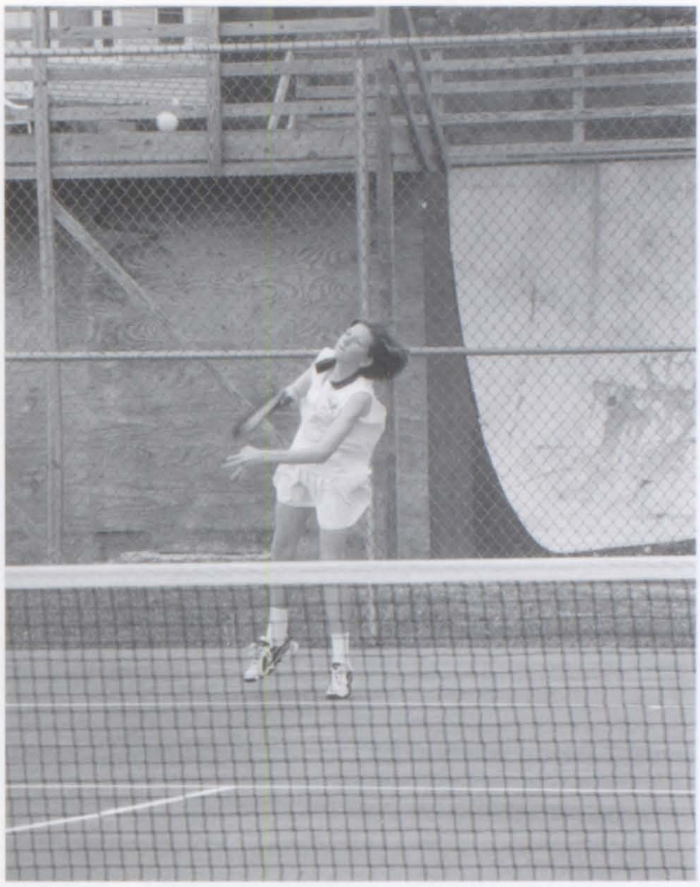
OA TENNIS

"Who the beep ate my cream filled dough-nuts?!?"
~Katie Giesen, junior

Tennis this year has been a fun and exciting. The competition was tough and the weather was hot, but we still came out on top! Way to be girls! We had a young team with five out of seven of our varsity team members were underclassmen. Even though our team was so young we still were able to take the pressure of top schools while we were eating doughnuts! With this doughnut and cookie encouragement Elizabeth Yorn had the best record winning 11 out of 13 matches. Our #1 doubles team, Lauren Roeder and Kate Wieler, got to go on in sectionals! This was a great year for Twister Tennis!

That's a Home Run!

Above: The OA Tennis Team. Back Row: (Left to Right) Coach Birdie Schmidt, Andrea Spalding, Adrian Murphy, Emily Nimis, Meredith Pank, Rachael Little, Katie Giesen. Front Row (left to right) Lauren Roeder, Kristin Lindauer, Lori Bussel, Kate Weiler, Elizabeth Yorn, Elena Bishop



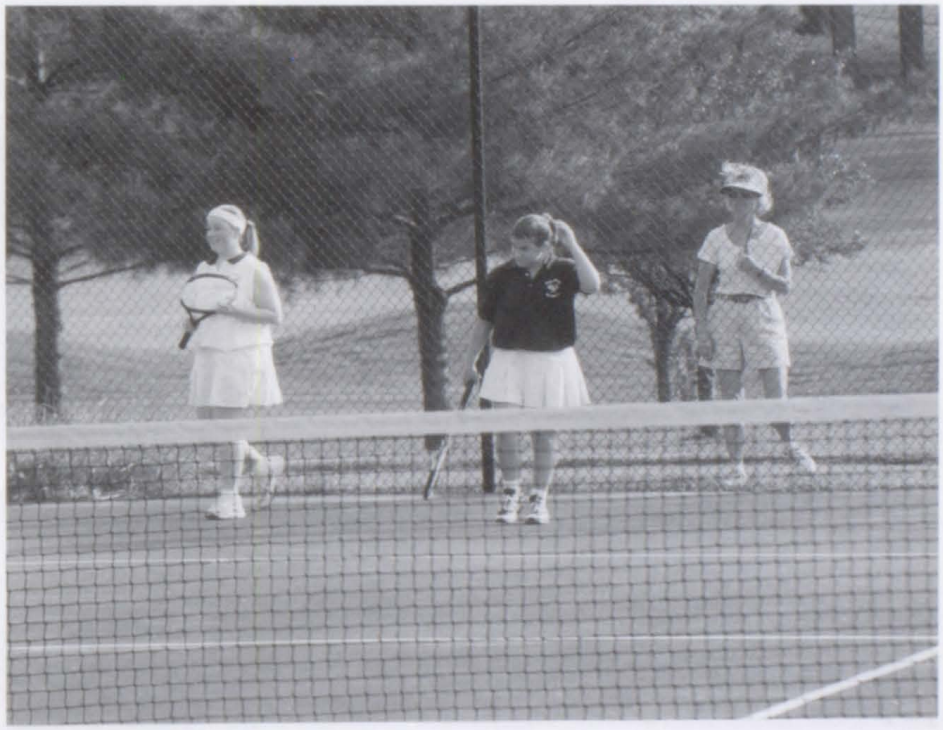
"This year was hard but so much fun! Keep hitting gals!" ~ Meredith Pank, senior

Above: #2 singles, Liz Yorn, is returning the ball with a tough lob!.

Above Left: #1 singles, Katie Giesen, gives her opponent the killer backhand!

Left: #3 singles, Meredith Pank, gives a gentle net shot for the point!

Above: #1 doubles member, Kate Wieler, watches the ball carefully to put on the perfect spin!



Above: Adrian Murphy and Lori Bussel are ready to win after an inspiring talk from Coach Birtie!

TRACK at OA

The track team as a whole. Front Row(left to right): Christine Frazer, Carrie Bradley, Sara Hagedorn, Cori Beiersdorfer, Dee Doll, Jessica Holland, and Michelle Frazer. Second Row: Peggy Staun, Jenny Hartman, Claire Cradler, Jamie Dean, Alicia Bushkoetter, and Tricia Darling. Top Row: Coach Merle Hines, Courtney Bell, Regina Yane, Julie Hotel, Amelia Smith, Clare Wukusick, Katie Gehring, Jackie Pettit, Amanda Roehm, and Coach Diane Jessup

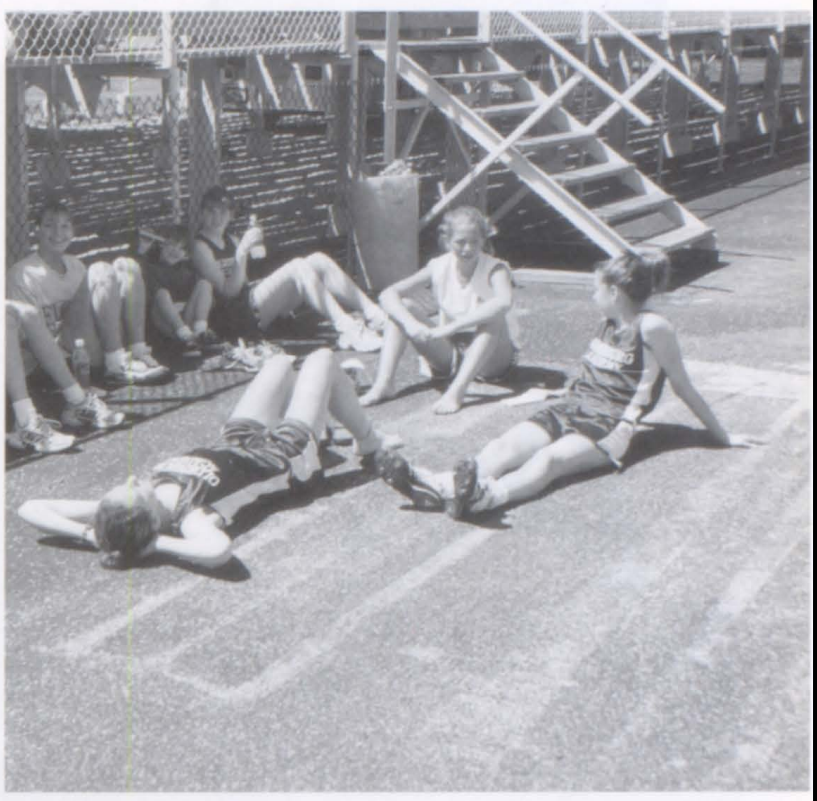
The track season was great this year. Everyone had tons of fun. We'll never forget going out to eat together after all the meets and all the confusion of trying to find a ride to practice and meets. The team had a few trials and tribulations, but nothing they couldn't handle. Many of the track members competed in sectionals and regionals, and the team was proud to announce Jessica Holland went to state in the 200 meter dash. We are also proud of all the personal records made this season. Congratulations to everyone. Good luck next year girls!

Above right: A good hand off made by Jenny Hartman to Christine Frazer.

Right: Maggie Lewis competing in the 100 meter dash.

Left: Michelle Frazer is practicing her technique in discus.

Below: A few of the team members take a break during a meet.



Above: Dee Doll and Peggy Staun relax while waiting to run.

Right: Clare Wukusic and Jessica Holland stretch before practice.

Beyond Our Time...
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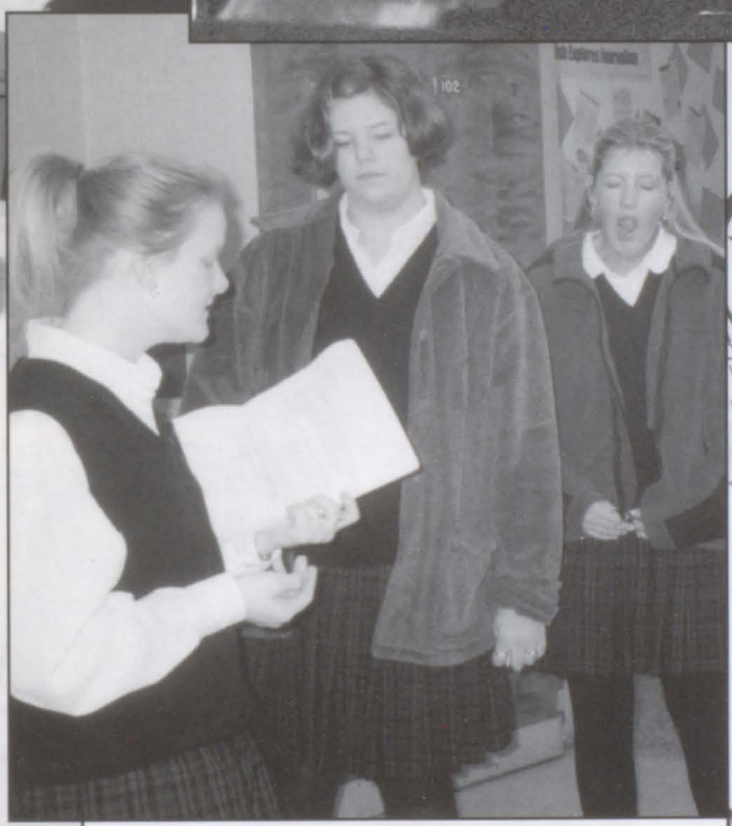
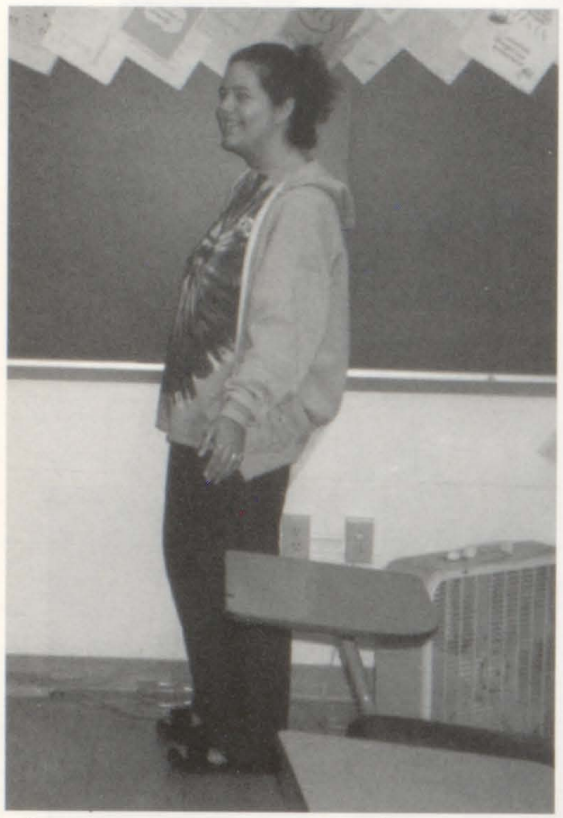


HELPING HANDS



If you've been to a Helping Hands meeting this year, you would know the club is headed by President Tori Dietz, Vice President Katie Giesting, Secretary Kristie Giesting, Treasurer Andrea Roehm, and our publicist Arien Johnston. Helping Hands meets before school in Mrs. Case's room. Our meetings aren't too formal- with the junior religion class talking, how can they be?

Helping Hands strives to help out people in need. This year Helping Hands supported a clothing drive, a canned food drive, and we sung traditional Christmas carols to the Sisters in the Infirmary. It doesn't sound like much but with all the planning that went along with it, it was a lot of work.

Good luck to all of next year's Helping Hands!

-Andrea Roehm

Above: President Tori Dietz at the board ready to jot down ideas during a meeting.

Right: All the club members. Top row- Ami Johnston, Becky Wessel, Clare Wukasic, Christine Frazer, Emily Nimis. Bottom row- Kristie Giesting, Katie Giesting, Tori Dietz, Andrea Roehm, Arien Johnston.

Below right: The officers. Top row: Kristie Giesting, Andrea Roehm, Arien Johnston. Bottom row: Katie Giesting, Tori Dietz

Below: Members discuss plans at a meeting.

PEACE CLUB

This year was packed full of excitement for the PEACE Club. With our valiant leader Jessica Marting heading up the club and the other officers Tori Dietz, Ami Johnston, Arien Johnston, and Tricia Darling, PEACE Club got lots accomplished. This year we continued our crusade against Thelma to stop the styrofoam. We also held a Humanitees T-shirt fund-raiser again, and with the money we raised we were able to plant a tree in front of Olivia Hall on Earth Day. PEACE Club was also in charge of the recycling boxes around school. We'd like to give a big Thank You! to Beth Bohrer and Maggie Lewis for emptying all those boxes.

-Jessica Ripley

Left: The Peace Club officers left to right, bottom row: Tori Dietz, Arien Johnson, Tricia Darling; top row: Ami Johnson, and Jessica Marting.

Above: Amanda Luff, Jessica Ripley, and Molly Miller take time to show their appreciation for nature by hugging a tree.

Left: Left to Right; First Row: Ellen Werner, Becca Ford, Jessica Marting, Elena Bishop; Second Row: Amanda Luff, Deann Eckstien, Amy Johnson, Arien Johnson, Dee Doll; Third Row: Amy Lecher, Tori Deitz, Maggie Lewis, Trica Darling; Back Row: Meredith Pank, Christine Frazier, Emily Nimis, Traci Taylor, Molly Widolff.

Far Left: Sophmores enjoy eating lunch outside on Earth Day.

Left: Jessica Marting basks in the sunlight during the Earth Day celebration.

Students Against Drunk Driving

Students Against Drunk Driving is an organization that helps to make people aware of the negative consequences of not only drinking and driving but also of substance abuse. They sponsor Red Ribbon Week. During this week students receive red ribbons to wear with catchy sayings about being drug free. SADD members also tie red ribbons on cars in Batesville and Oldenburg to make other people aware of the consequences of drinking and driving. Because young people are more likely to drink when with a big group, SADD also sponsors the Prom Promise. Students area asked to sign this pledging that they will be responsible on Prom night. SADD also does some activities during school, like inviting a speaker to talk about a personal experience involving alcohol or drugs. This year a young man currently serving a prison sentance for causing the death a friend in an alcohol-related car accident left prison to talk with students a few days before prom to help discourage drinking and driving.

by Katie Giesting

Above: Students sign the Prom Promise, pledging not to use alcohol or drugs on Prom night.

Above right: SADD officers: Gloria Moster, Kristie Giesting, Katie Giesting, Tori Dietz, Beth Bohrer

Right: SADD members: From left to right- Row 1: Gloria Moster, Beth Bohrer, Katie Gehring, Trisha Darling, Michelle Frazier, Nicole Schneider, Amanda Adams; Row 2: Amelia Smith, Kristina Giesting, Amanda Roehm, Emily Honnert, Katie Giesting, Brenda Schneider, Dee Doll; Row 3: Ellen Werner, Tori Dietz, Vanessa Prickel, Emily Nimis, Amy McGill, Clare Wucusick

Quote!

"I will never, ever, ever work on another paper again!"

-Tricia Darling, senior

Below: Editors Beth Boher and Tricia Darling conduct a Spires staff meeting.

Spires

news for the masses

Spires did some very cool things this year. We, the editors, tried to make some changes in what had previously been done in the paper. We tried some more opinion poll editorials with topics ranging from drinking and driving to the dress code. We still had theme issues like Christmas, Halloween, and Valentine's Day. Our big issue was our final one which was the Graduation issue for the infamous Class of '99. The issue included senior wills, future plans, memories, senior superlatives, and pictures. It was a really successful year. Tori, Tricia, and Beth would like to thank Mrs. Yane, our faculty moderator, and Maggie Lewis, our readers, and the typists because without your help the paper could not have been such a huge success.

-Tori Dietz

Above left: The editors. From left- Tori Dietz, Beth Bohrer, Tricia Darling.

Left: The Spires staff. From left to right- Top row: Sarah Walsman, Katie Cloppert, Beth Bohrer, Maggie Lewis. Second row: Stephanie Lloyd, Regina Yane, Sara Hagedorn, Tricia Darling, Arien Johnston. Bottom row: Angie Broering, Emily Nimis, Katie Giesting, Kira Stegman, Ami Johnston, Tori Dietz.

Art Club

Let your creativity flow! Have fun! Get messy! Where can you find all this? Art Club is where it's at!

Headed by our fearless leader, Pamela Burroughs, the Art Club does many various projects throughout the year. Painting the backdrop for the winter and spring musical concerts, putting together treat bags for Halloween, and constructing beautiful valentines are just some of the projects Art Club has worked on this year.

So if you need a place to express yourself and have fun- join Art Club!

By: Kristie Giesting

Below: The Art Club officers. From left to right- Jenny Miller, Vice President; Stephanie Lloyd, President; Kira Stegman, Secretary; Kristie Giesting, Treasurer

Above: Stephanie Lloyd explaining our Valentines' Day project to Shana Stegman, Emily Honnert, Sarah Huffmeyer, and Amanda Roehm.

Above right: Kira Stegman works diligently to get that backdrop painted.

Right: The entire Art Club. From left to right- Top row: Sara Hagedorn, Katie Cloppert. Row 2: Jenny Miller, Stephanie Lloyd, Kristie Giesting, Kira Stegman. Row 3: Sarah Dole, Clare Wukusick, Jodi Stuehrenberg, Shana Stegman, Michelle Frazer, Lauren Roeder. Row 4: Emily Honnert, Katy Geisen, Sarah Huffmeyer, Katie Giesting, Amanda Roehm. Row 5: Liza Moll, Meredith McGovern, Tara Schebler, Kara Heinlein.

Below: The singers move out into the crowd.

Below: The singers bustin' a move.

Academy Singers

Above: Why can't all the altos be like Christa?

One of the most elite and exciting groups at Oldenburg academy is the Academy Singers. This year, it included thirteen talented singers. Besides performing at the Christmas and Spring Concerts, they also made many public appearances this year. The group travelled to Cincinnati more than once during the holiday season to carol at various places. They also had the pleasure of riding a horse drawn carriage in the Batesville Christmas parade.

In addition to singing at their practices every Tuesday and Wednesday, the girls discuss issues and share stories. This year's group was more talkative than many others. Any member would tell you just how much fun being an Academy Singer really is.

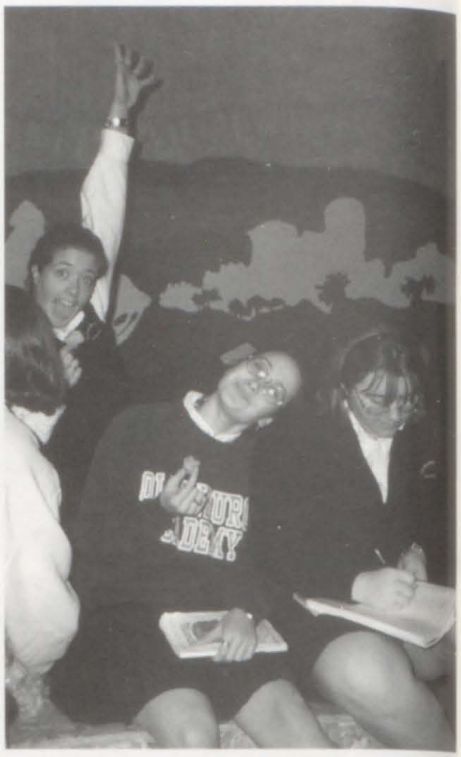
The members of the Academy Singers are: Altos- Jackie Paulson, Jennifer Berning, Cori Biersdorffer, and Christa Martini. Second sopranos- Gloria Moster, Jessica Marting, Jessica McIntyre, and Paige Wall. Sopranos- Beth Dole, Vanessa Prickel, Angela Brackmann, Sarah Dole, and Angela Broering. Pianist- Amanda Luff. Director- Sr. Mary Ellen Gillman.

> Senior Amanda Luff says that the Academy Singers "are like family."

Left: The Academy Singers are (from left to right) : Top row- Vanessa Prickel, Angela Brackmann, and Cori Biersdorffer. Middle row- Jennifer Berning, Jessica McIntyre, Gloria Moster, Jessica Marting, Jackie Paulson, Amanda Luff, Sr. Mary Ellen, and Beth Dole. Bottom row- Paige Wall, Sarah Dole, Angela Broering, and Christa Martini.

Drama Club

Below: Becca Ford, Angie Brackmann, and Vanessa Prickel working hard during a Drama Club meeting.



"The world is a stage. Become a player."
- Angie Brackmann, senior

Below:Drama Club Officers: Kira Stegman; Angie Brackmann; Colleen McCullough.

Do you like expressing yourself, being the center of attention, or pretending you are someone else? If you do, you should join Drama Club!

Drama Club raised money for the fall play Murder By Membership Only and the spring musical Godspell by having a bake sale. Yum!

The Drama Club is headed by Mrs. Katherine Taul.

Above: Drama Club members: From left to right- Top row: Stephanie Toschlog, Cori Beiersdorfer, Kristie Giesting, Angie Brackmann, Katie Giesting, Sarah Dole, Emily Brackmann. Bottom row: Kira Stegman, Colleen McCullough, Jessica Marting, Jennifer Berning, Becca Ford, Gloria Moster, Vanessa Prickel, Beth Dole, Regina Yane, Molly Widolff, Stephanie Lloyd.

Above: Cori Beiersdorfer and Katie Giesting watch as Beth Dole practices for Godspell during a Drama Club meeting.

Below: Editor Becca Ford is totally psyched to work on the yearbook!

Concept

yearbook 1998-1999

It was another good year for the yearbook staff. We kicked off the year by sending some of our editors to a yearbook workshop before school was even in session. They learned a lot about the basics of putting a great yearbook together, and they came back with lots of new ideas. We worked diligently throughout the year, trying to get our pages done on time, and we desperately worked to sell enough ads to finance our yearbook. We had meetings after school, but the staff also showed up before school and during study halls to get all the work done. Yearbook staffers also attended tons of school functions to take pictures. It was a lot of hard work, but we think it paid off- this yearbook is pretty darn cool!

Above: Photo editor Meredith Pank just adores her cropper!

Above left: The 98-99 staff. From left to right: Bottom row- Molly Miller, Jessica Ripley, Becca Ford, Jessi Faust. Middle row- Andrea Roehm, Emily Honnert, Sarah Huffmeyer, Katie Giesting. Top row- Kristie Giesting, Adrienne Maple, Stephanie Ball, Alicia Bushkoetter. Not pictured: Amanda Luff, Traci Taylor, Christa Martini, Meredith Pank, Laura Wade, Kerri Schantz, Deann Eckstein, Jenny Hartman.

Left: The editors. From left- Photo editor Meredith Pank, Editor Becca Ford, Graphics editor Molly Miller, Copy editor Traci Taylor.

National Honor Society

This year NHS conducted a variety of different activities. In the fall we all traveled to the Wernle Boys Home in Richmond. The day was spent playing games like kickball and Red Rover with the kids. Then at Christmas time NHS sponsored a school-wide toy drive for the boys at Wernle. In March the new sophomore, junior, and senior members were inducted. This year we held a Trivial Bowl to raise money for St. Jude's Children's Foundation. With the help of the whole school we managed to raise $1,340.43 for St. Jude's. Thanks to everyone who supported NHS this year.

~ Jessica Ripley

Below: Becca Ford, Tori Dietz, Katie Gehring, and Gloria Moster are all smiles as they deliver toys to the kids at Wernle for Christmas.

Above: The members of NHS, from left to right: 1st row: Tori Dietz, Katie Gehring. Gloria Moster, Becca Ford; 2nd row: Jackie Paulson, Ami Johnson, Vanessa Prickel, Jessica Marting; 3rd row: Emily Honnert, Sara Hagedorn, Katie Giesting, Cori Biersdorfer, Kristie Giesting; 4th row: Amanda Luff, Lauren Wade, Lindsey Goldsmith, Jessica Ripley.

Above Top: Two NHS members help entertain the kids at Wernle by strappin' on some elephant masks and joining in the fun.

Above Middle: "Bad Martha and the Brainiacs" pose for a pic after their triumphant victory in this years Trivial Bowl.

Above Bottom: NHS officers, clockwise from top: Tori Dietz, Gloria Moster, Becca Ford, and Katie Gehring.

Academy Ambassadors

Reaching Forward In Time

I first came to Oldenburg Academy during the summer Fine Arts Camp. I thought, "No way was I going to come to school here! The counselors and the whole place itself is crazy!" Well, now I am a freshman here at OA, and I will be a counselor this summer at the camp.

Over the summer, even though the girls were out of school, they still persuaded to extend the freshman class and spread a good reputation about OA. Well they sure did that, and that touches on a very strong point.

We are all Academy Ambassadors. We all promote our school in a very positive way. With the help of Mrs. Deardorff, we promote the school with visits to other schools, open houses, tours through OA, registration, and help with the Placement Test for the freshman.

No matter if we are a club or just a few of the students promoting OA, the goal is accomplished, and it could have not been a better outcome.

-Alicia Buschkoetter

Above: All of the Ambassadors. From left to right: Top row- Jen Berning, Ami Johnston, Christine Frazer, Emily Honnert, Amanda Roehm, Katie Giesting. Second row- Christa Martini, Claire Cradler, Angie Broering, Gloria Moster, Cori Beiersdorfer, Kristie Giesting. Third row- Traci Taylor, Amy Lecher, Emily Nimis, Vanessa Prickel, Dana Fledderman, Peggy Staun, Julie Frazee. Bottom row- Amy McGill, Tori Dietz, Angie Brackmann, Kira Stegman, Regina Yane. Not pictured: Alicia Buschkoetter.

Oldenburg Academy Academic Team

"Being a member of the Academic Team was extremely awesome."

- Senior Amanda Luff

This was the first year for a very kicking new club at Oldenburg Academy. It's the Academic Team, the perfect club for the trivia guru. This year, it included twelve brave pioneers and an enthusiastic coach, Mrs. Shrimpf. The girls competed weekly for about two months in Cincinnati against other Catholic highschools. They also participated in the end of season tourney. They didn't have an impressive record, but they did put up an impressive fight at all of their matches. From their exciting trips in the Golden Bullet to their interesting competitors (from St. X), these girls had a blast. One thing is for sure, the Academic Team is here to stay.

Above: The geniuses unwinding at a meet.

Above: The members of the Academic Team are (from left to right): Top row- Julie Frazee, Katie Giesting, Angela Broering, Cori Biersdorfer, Kristie Giesting, Amanda Luff. Bottom row- Jodi Struehrenburg, Nicole Schneider, Jean Dubrowski, Kira Stegman, Amelia Smith. (not pictured, Kerri Schantz)

Scoreboard

McNicholas	win
St. Xavier	loss
Roger Bacon	loss
Moeller	win
McAuley	loss
LaSalle	loss
St. Ursula	loss

Below: This year's Honor Thespians (Thespians with over 60 points). Top row; Angela Brackman, Gloria Moster, Beth Dole, Vanessa Prickel. Second row; Katie Giesting, Colleen McCoullough, Stephanie Lloyd. Bottom row; Kristie Giesting, Kira Stegman.

International Thespian Society

Although most students at OA don't even know about it, the International Thespian Society has been going on at the Academy for years. It is an international organization which strives to honor drama and all the people involved in high school dramatic productions. Oldenburg is home to Troupe 5302, and we induct new members every year. Students are inducted according to a points system, which awards points for everything from acting in a play to selling tickets for a musical. The troupe works with Drama Club, and was even in charge of electing the Drama Club officers for next year. The International Thespian Society works to give special recognition to all the people who dedicate their time to high school drama.

Above: Angie Brackman inducts the new Thespians.

Above left: The troupe recites their pledge at the induction ceremony.

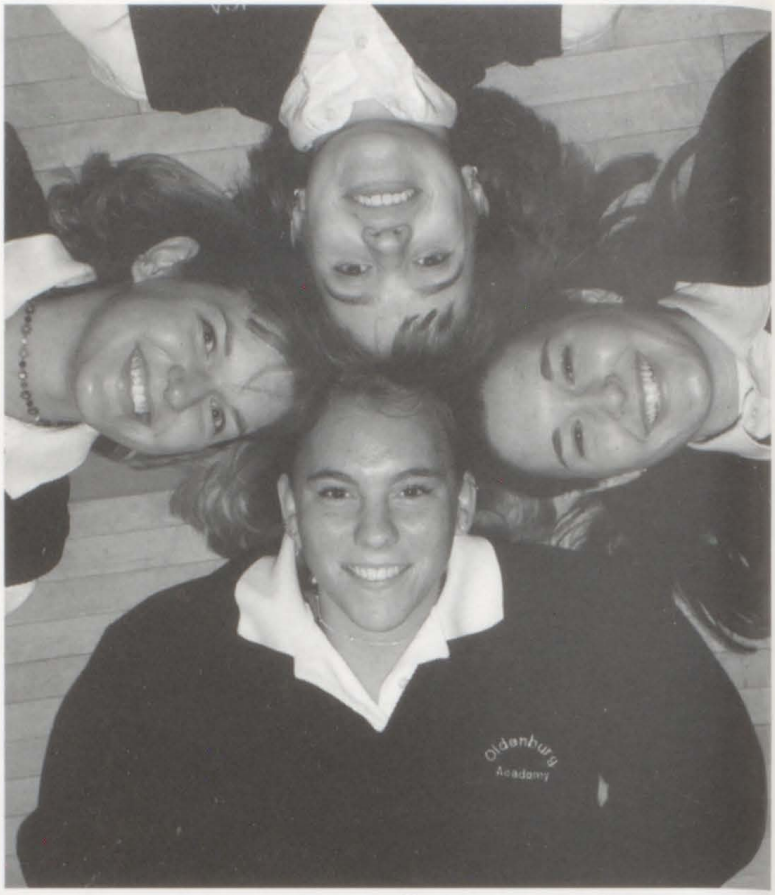
Above: Troupe 5302. Top row: Angela Brackman, Jen Berning, Becca Ford, Gloria Moster, Traci Taylor, Emily Nimis, Beth Dole, Vanessa Prickel. Second row: Sarah Walsman, Katie Giesting, Cori Beiersdorfer, Kristie Giesting, Amber Deardorff, Tabitha Mayes, Stephanie Lloyd. Bottom row: Molly Widolf, Kira Stegman, Regina Yane.

Student Council

Every year we hold elections for the Student Council. Each class votes on five members to represent their class throughout the year. Then the entire school votes in the head STUCO members. The head STUCO officers are seniors, and they run the meetings. The freshman have the hardest election because they're new and don't know everyone yet. The rest of the elections aren't so bad.

Student Council represents the student body and plans events throughout the year. They are in charge of organizing class events and fund raisers. They plan such activities as Spirit Week, Haunted House, and Semi. Student Council is there to make sure that the voices of the students are heard.

~Molly Miller



Above: The head STUCO officers. Clockwise from top; Gloria Moster, Christine Frazer, Beth Bohrer, and Katie Gehring.

Below: The entire STUCO body.

FAVORITE STUCO MEMORIES

"Can I just say Molly Miller and Nudist Colony Day?"
-Gloria Moster, STUCO president

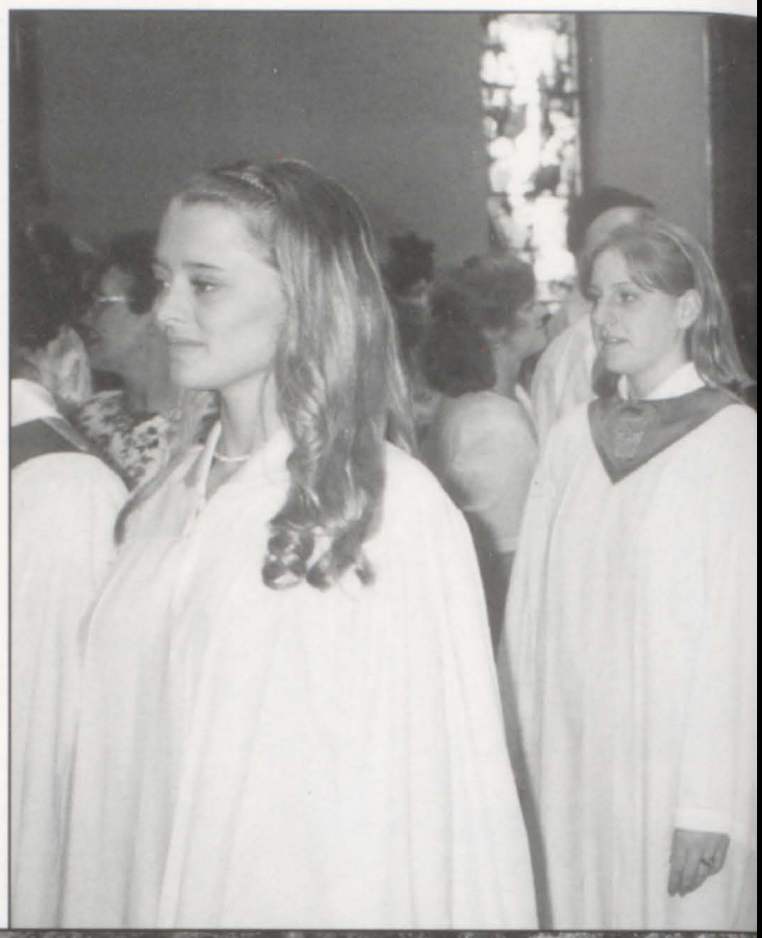
"Upside-down flags every single day!"
-Maggie Lewis, senior class treasurer

Above: The Junior class officers. From left to right; Jessica Holland, Sandy Gerster, Emily Honnert, Rita Kreckler, and Sara Hagadorn.

Left: The Freshman officers . From left to right; Jodi Struehrenbur, Michelle Frazer, Molly Widolff, and Shana Stegman.

Below Left: The Sophomore class officers. Clockwise from top; Christa Martini, Laura Wade, Andrea Batta, and Clare Wukusick.

Below Right: The Senior officers. From left to right; Becca Ford, Jennifer Berning, Maggie Lewis, Amanda Luff, and Molly Miller.



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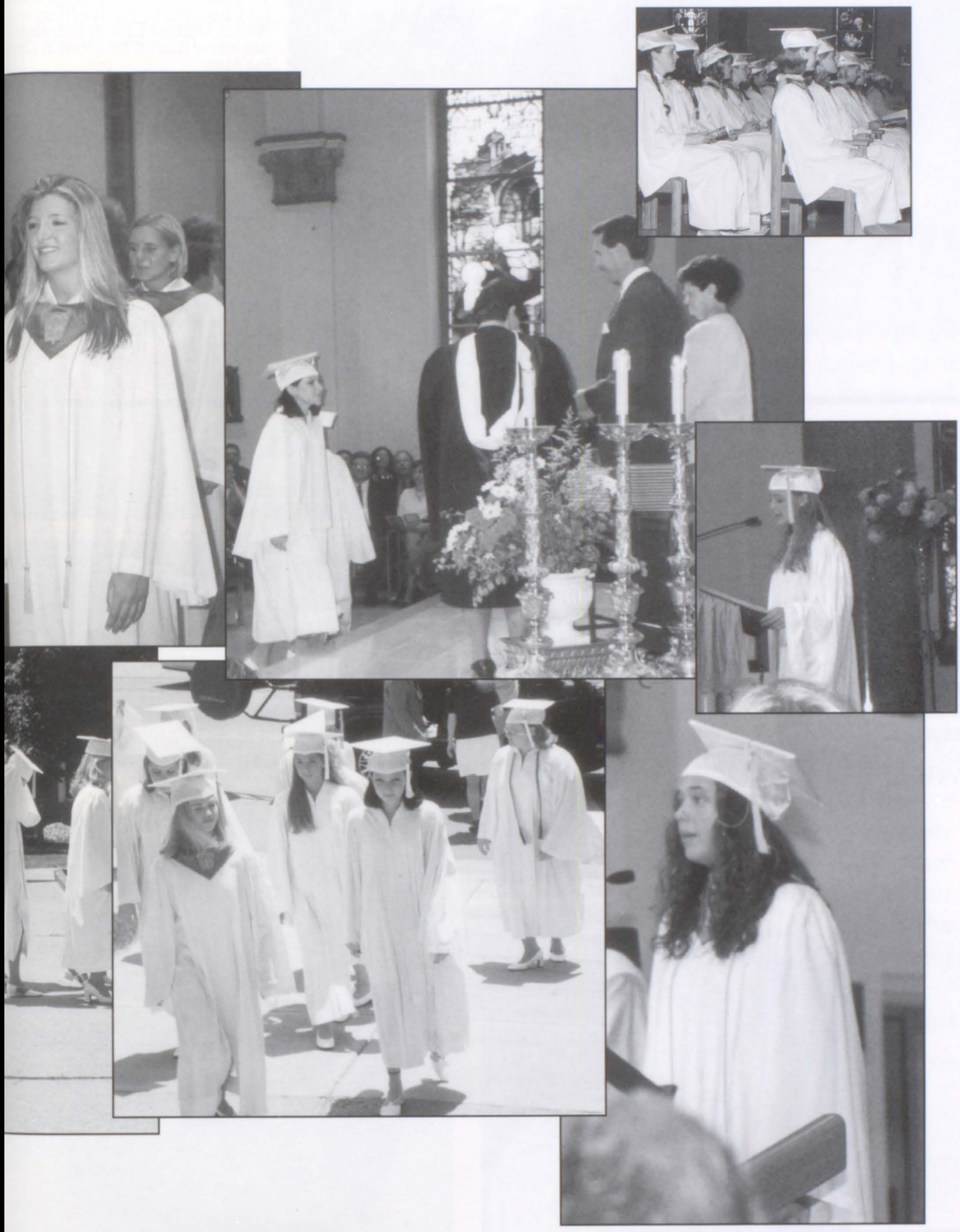
Graduation



Left: Seniors Jessica Ripley, Amanda Luff, Becca Ford, Molly Miller, and Jessica Martin bask in the summer sun before struttin' their stuff at Opening Mass.

"WE'RE SENIORS!!! WICKED COOL, DUDE."
- REBECCA FORD

OPENING MASS

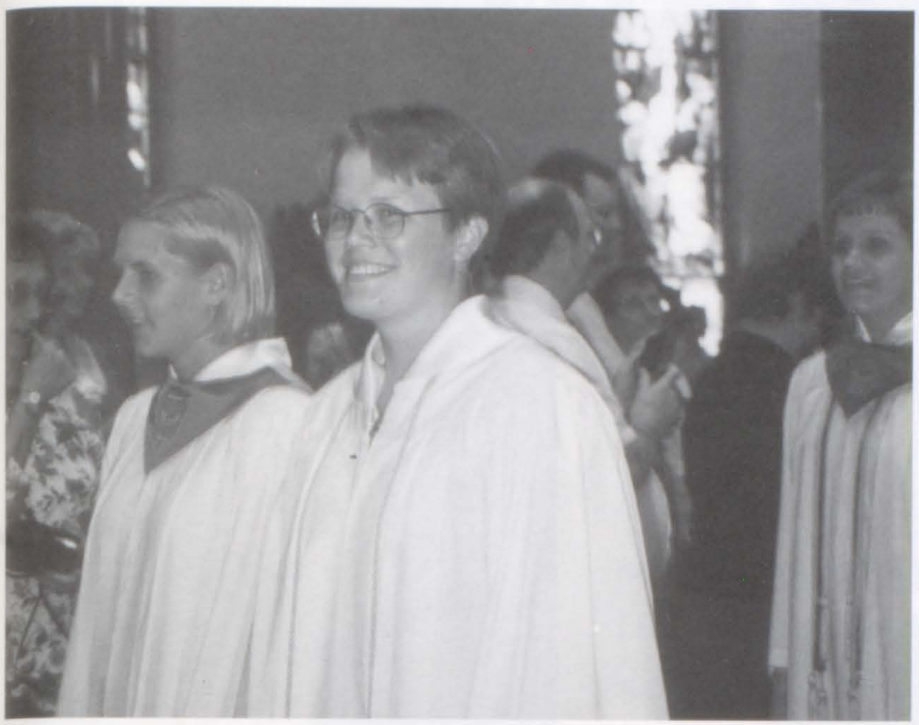
The stifling heat inside the crowded chapel was not sufficient to put a damper on this day. It was official... WE WERE SENIORS!!! The overwhelming experience of donning the traditional white robes for the first time had us giddy with the sheer anticipation of graduation. After the struggles of three long and turbulent years at Oldenburg Academy, we finally made it. We had reached the pinnacle of our high school careers....WE WERE SENIORS!!! As freshmen, we stood in the shadows of the domineering upperclassmen, waiting for the fateful day that we too would get to bear the white robes with unbridled pride. This day stood as a triumphant symbol of the overcoming of our obstacles. We grew so much throughout our first three years, and the accomplishments were evident at this gathering of friends and family. We stood before God confident of our abilities and optimistic towards the finale of our journey through the trials and tribulations we call high school....WE WERE SENIORS!!!!

By Rachel Jade Little...with a little help from Becca

Right: Lauren Wade, Liza Moll, and Meredith McGovern flash us their pearly whites.

Right: That's me!!

Below: Lindsey Goldsmith and Maggie Lewis look happy to be so close to graduation.



Senior Mass

Senior mass was our last all school mass. The juniors gave each of the seniors a flower and a farewell hug. It was very nice and made the seniors even more anxious to graduate. It made us all finally realize that graduation was around the corner. It was sad to think that we would be leaving soon, and tears were streaming down some faces. But most were all smiles and were excited that soon we would be on our ways to new places and adventures. The years have gone fast and we have many memories together as a class as well as with the other classes. This day was one of our last senior days and it left the door open for the upcoming senior class.

-Molly Miller

Above middle: The seniors sing their class song "With a Little Help From My Friends".

Left: The seniors share an emotional sign of peace.

Graduation

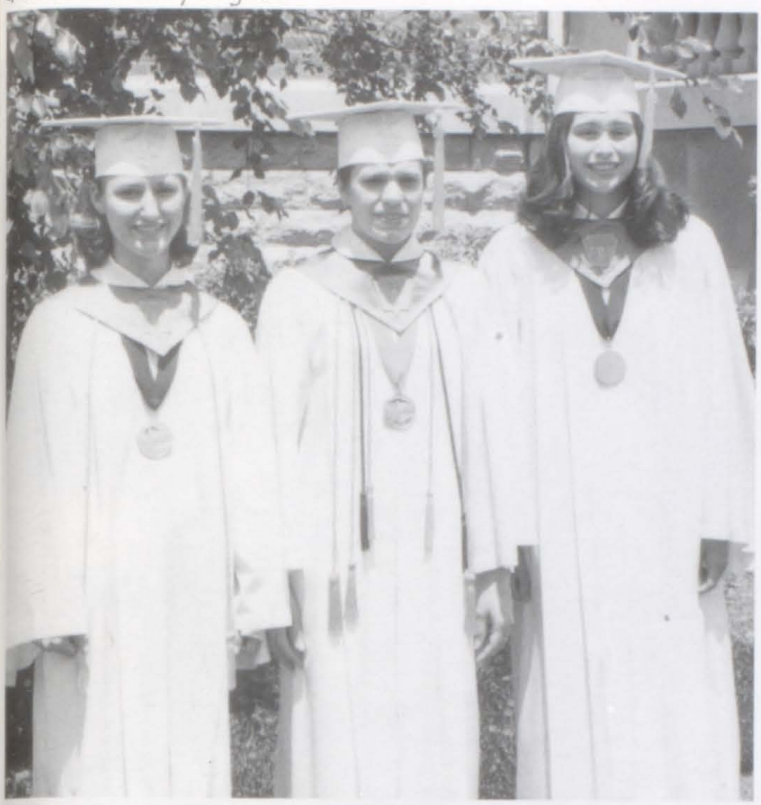
Below: Beth Dole sings a smashing "Alleluia" for the Graduation ceremony.

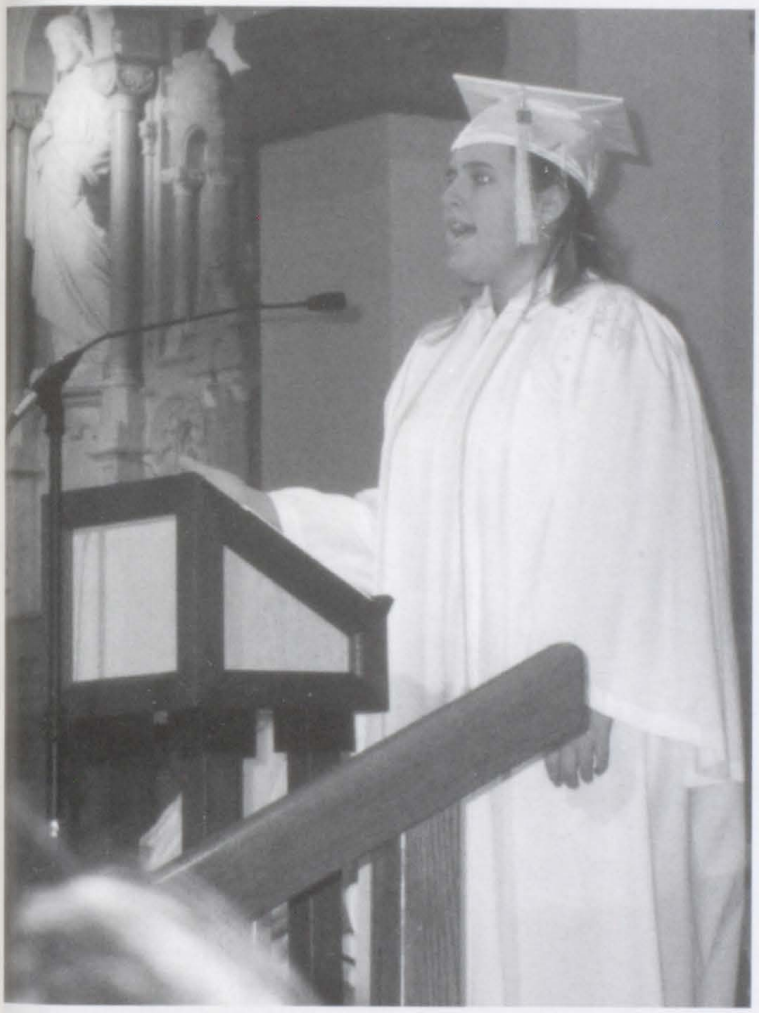
Graduation for the class of 1999 was held on May twenty-ninth at one-o-clock in the afternoon, in the sisters' chapel. The ceremony started as the class processed in, lead by Jessica Koopman. The mass included readings, petitions, and songs all done by students. Amanda Luff and Jessica Marting gave the Salutatory address, and Gloria Moster gave the Valedictory speech. Both speeches were funny, inspirational, and brought tears to many eyes. They day ended with the age-old tradition of the throwing of the caps. Then everyone said their goodbyes to friends, faculty, and life at OA. GOOD LUCK! next year and in years to come to all the graduates. A special thank-you to all the family and friends of the class of '99 for their love and support.

-Jessica Ripley

Above: All of the graduates of the OA Class of '99.

Below: Salutatorians Amanda Luff and Jessica Marting and Valedictorian Gloria Moster take a quick pic before the Graduation ceremony begins.

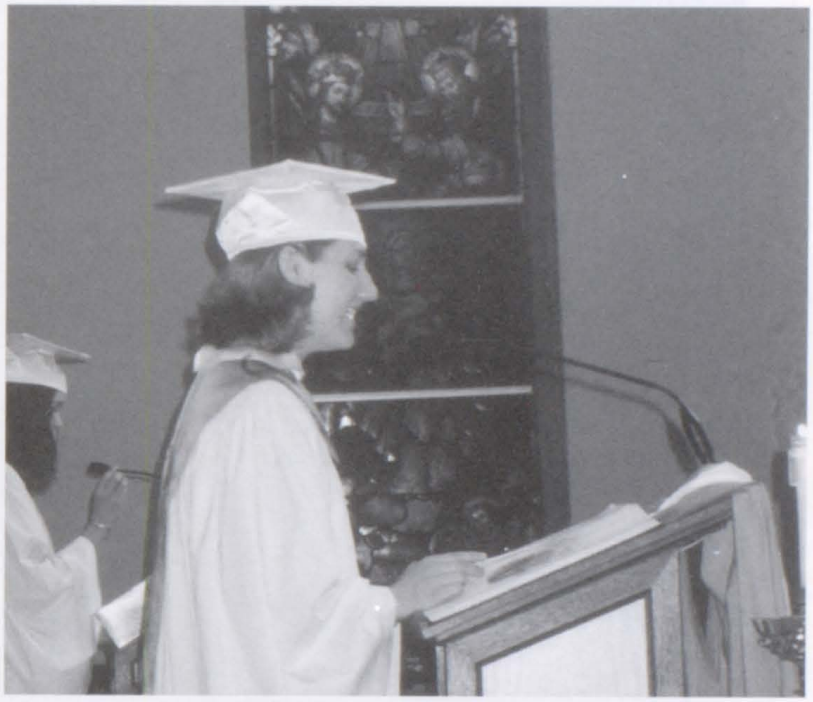




Above: Jennifer Berning sings beautifully at Graduation Mass.

Above right: Jessica Marting and Amanda Luff deliver their joint Salutatorian speech.

Below: The graduates celebrate by tossing their caps into the air.



Above: The graduates wait anxiously during Communion.

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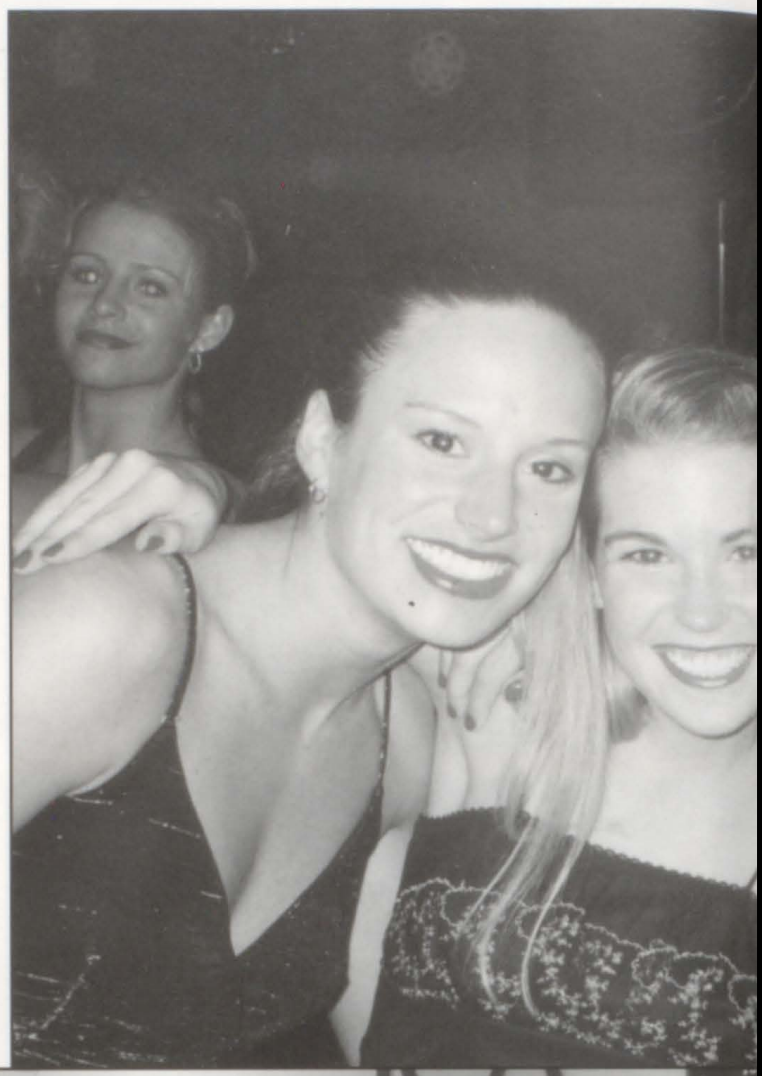


CHAMPS
1997

Gloria Moster munches on some animal crackers during Spanish.

Meredith Pank and Jenny Hartman flash us their beaming smiles.

The Frazer sisters show off their sisterly style.

Deann-

May all your dreams come true. Always look for the stars. Remember, we will always be there for you.

Love,

Mom, Dad, Dave, Debbie, Doug, Dan, Daryl, and the rest of the family

Remember-
I'll always be there for you.
-Your Big Sis

Good Luck!
-Your Fan Club

Our Littlest Putten,

We are so proud of your accomplishments. May you always find happiness and keep smiling!

We Love you very much,
Dad, Mom, & Mark

Amanda Roehm and Meredith Pank havin' some fun with a golf cart.

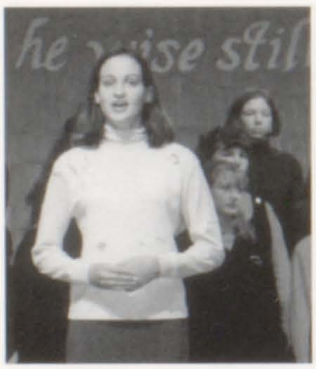
Jessica Holland tries to pass the competion.

Regina Yane seems to be having tons of fun at school.

Jessica McIntire and Carrie Bradley look perfect at Semi.

Steph Wintz and Amy McGill hangin' in the hall.

Molly Widolff shines at the Christmas Concert.



Meredith,

You have always brought us so much joy and love.

Carpe Diem!

Love,

Mom and Dad

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Love, Mom, Dad,
Jared and Eric

'99

Sandy Gerster helps cook the spaghetti dinner for the Sports Banquet.

Amanda Luff and her date go nuts on the dance floor with some inflatable guitars.

Congratulations
Betsy Ann
We are proud of you!!
Love Mom and Dad
PS Keep that smile!

Jessica McIntire struts her stuff in the Book Store.

Molly Widolff seduces Beth Dole during Godspell practice.

Cori Biersdorfer and Kira Stegman look just adorable.

Sister Mary Ellen takes a break in her busy schedule to pose for a pic.

"This above all: To thine own self be true," -Hamlet, Shakespeare

Best of Luck and Congratulations!

Love Always,
Mom & Dad
Daniel, Matt, Amy, & Caleb

Traci,

You have touched so many lives-
thanks for all the joys and good times.

Love,
Mom and Dad

Carrie Hoppins and her date sparkled at semi.

Regina Yane and Lindsey Ahause dilegently practice their oboes.

Jackie Pettit races to the ball.

Fatigued after a long run, Katie Gehring starts acting a little goofy.

Kelli Nickels, Brooke Bartling, and Beth Wintz relax at Cowan.

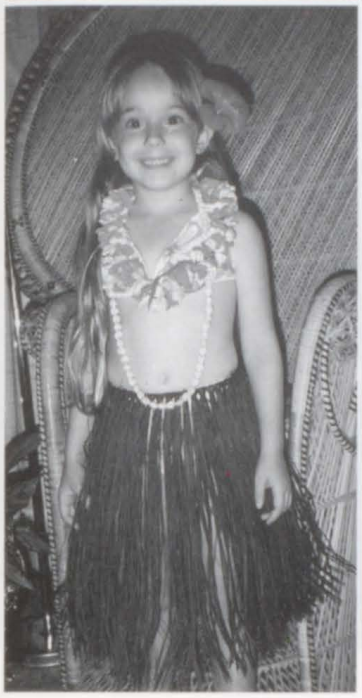
Kara Heinline and Emily Nimis stop their studying to pose for a photo.

Becca-

We wish you joy, peace,
laughter, and
"carving, painting, dancing,
dreaming,
and always beginning,
born anew each day,
never aging,
full of faith and impulse,
turning and changing to
every wind like the mobiles."
-Anais Nin

We are proud of you-
Love,
Mom and Dad

Vanessa Prickel makes a perfect wise man.



Angie Broering and her date are having a blast at Semi.

Liza-

If you can't be a highway than just be a trail,
If you can't be the sun be a star;
It isn't by size that you win or you fail-
Be the best of whatever you are!
We love you and are proud of you,
Mom and Dad

Becky Wessel dashes down the field to get the ball.

Jessica Roell and Beth Nuekum high five after a win.

Some of the Godspell cast is caught sleeping during rehearsal.

Our fearless leader, Marty Kolstedt.

Congratulations Jennifer Berning!

The best is yet to come...
You will be successful with anything you want to do with your future!

We love you,
Mom, Charlie and Richard

Your children make it impossible to regret your past. They are its finest fruits.

We love you Jess!

Dad, Mom, Jason & Jonathan

Sarah Parker hustles to maneuver around her opponent.

Jen Berning and Ami Johnston are having a blast in religion class.

Sarah "Sco" Ollier sets one up.

Meg Lamping lines up her putt.

Vanessa Prickel writhes on the floor in angony.

Sarah Walsman gets into the Christmas spirit.

Meredith,

We love you! You will always be our Tulip! Set the World on Fire! Success is yours, just go for it! Your Smile is still the light of our life!

Love, Mom and Dad

Congratulations, Amy!

We're proud of who you are and all that you've accomplished. Our love always,

Mom, Dad, and Sarah

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Some of the tennis team hanging out before conditioning.

Sarah Huffmeyer and Emily Honnert preparing for the Haunted House.

The infamous Spanish III flying monkeys.

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Lindsey Goldsmith forces Lindsay Wade to wear this get-up for Freshman Initiation.

Liza Moll and Sarah Ollier show off their awards from Coach Paul at the Awards Banquet.

Lea Kraus performs the "fat guy in a little coat" scene from Tommy Boy.

Jen Berning looks like an 80's child with that crimped hair.

Ripley, Amanda, and Molly ditched their dads to pose for this pic at the Father/Daughter Dance.

Sarah Parker prepares to kick the ball downfield.

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Stephanie Ball is all dressed up with nowhere to go on Beauty School Drop-out Day.

These underclassmen are just clownin' around.

Angie Broering makes a perfect pass.

Senior Maggie Lewis darts around her opponent.

Meredith Pank and her dad look sweet at the annual Father/ Daughter Dance.

The juniors seemed to be having a good time decorating for the Haunted House.

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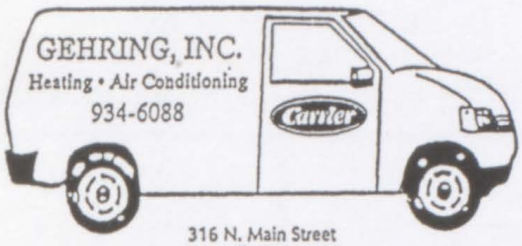

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Lindsey Ahaus picks up a door prize at the Father/Daughter Dance.

Some NHS members hanging out in a field at Wernle.

Michelle Frazer looks around for someone to pass to.

Alicia Buschkoetter and Katie Kirshner make somefaces for the camera.

German I practices their Foreign Language Week skit.

Mrs. Bedel is a modern day Rupunzel in that wig!

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Congratulations Monica on getting ahead at OA!

Congratulations to the Graduates of the Class of 1999! Shoot for the stars, girls!
Wishing you the best of luck,

the yearbook staff

Sara Hagedorn looks smashing in that grass skirt.

Lea Kraus and Sarah Parker are havin' a ball in P.E.

Sr. Mary Ellen takes time out from conducting to play on the slide on an Orchestra field trip.

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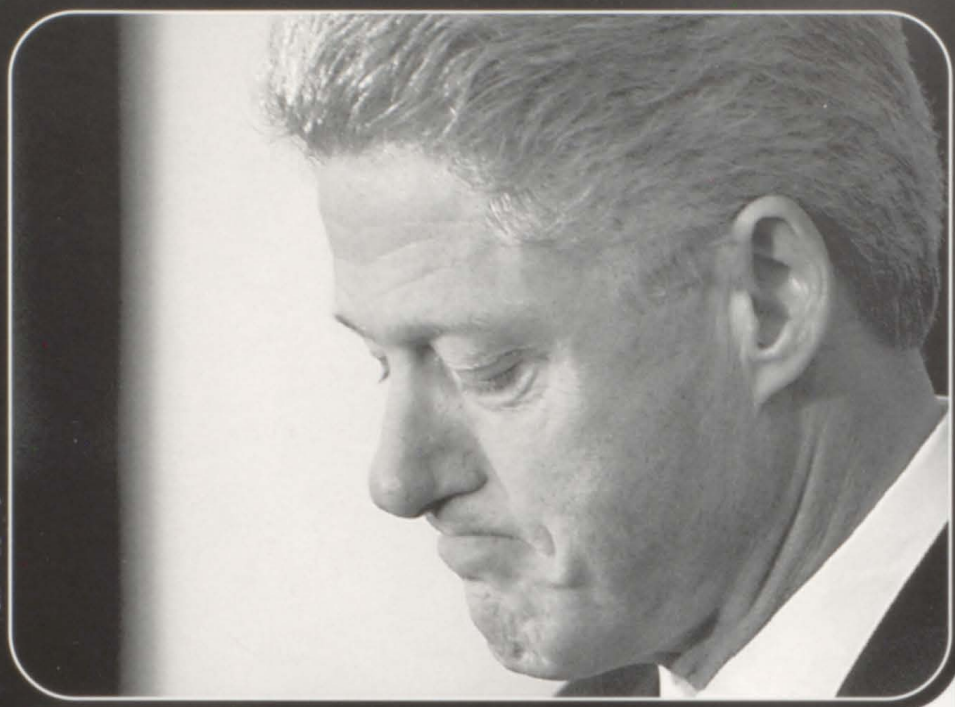
Retrospective

AN OVERVIEW OF EVENTS AND PERSONALITIES OF THE YEAR

After an extraordinary year of "he said/she said," President Clinton's fate was in the hands of the Senate. The embattled president faced impeachment on charges of perjury and obstruction of justice for his conduct in the Monica Lewinsky sex scandal. Clinton, who admitted to having "an improper relationship" with the former White House intern, became the first president in 130 years to be impeached by the House of Representatives. A final resolution in the matter would come after a Senate trial, where a two-thirds vote is required for impeachment.



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Using a number-crunching system few understood, polling in the inaugural NCAA Bowl Championship Series resulted in a Fiesta Bowl match-up between No. 1 Tennessee and No. 2 Florida State. The Volunteers beat the Seminoles, 23-16, for the national championship.

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Chris O'Meara/AP

Thirty-six years after becoming the first American to orbit the Earth, John Glenn was rocketed back into space on the shuttle Discovery as the world's oldest astronaut. The mission of the 77-year-old former U.S. Senator was to serve as a test subject for NASA's research on aging.

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The New York Yankees wrapped up one of Major League Baseball's most memorable seasons with a record 125 wins and a World Series sweep of the San Diego Padres. It was the Yankees' second world championship in three years.

Apple's new iMac, with its futuristic design and translucent exterior, made a big splash in the computer industry when it was released in August. Both eye-catching and affordable, the iMac was an instant hit with more than 278,000 units sold during its first six weeks.

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St. Louis Cardinals' first baseman Mark McGwire slammed 70 home runs on the season to eclipse Roger Maris' 37-year-old record of 61. McGwire's heroics were mirrored by Sammy Sosa of the Chicago Cubs, who finished the season with 66 homers. The late-season duel between McGwire and Sosa captivated the nation and was credited for revitalizing baseball, which was still suffering from the fallout of the 1995 players' strike.

Michael J. Fox, star of ABC's "Spin City," broke seven years of silence when he revealed he has Parkinson's disease. The 37-year-old actor, best known for his work on the "Back to the Future" movies, had surgery last May to alleviate symptoms of the disease.

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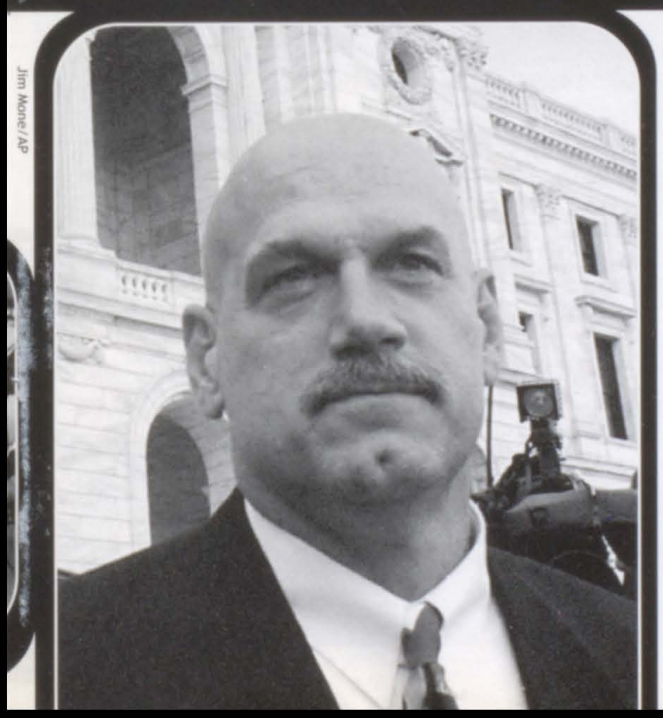
Mounting tensions in Iraq came to a head when Saddam Hussein refused to comply with U.N. resolutions regarding inspections of suspected manufacturing sites for chemical and biological weapons. In response, President Clinton ordered a series of air strikes against Iraq. Dubbed "Operation Desert Fox" by the Pentagon, the air raids by U.S. and British forces lasted four nights and included the destruction of the Iraqi military intelligence headquarters and several weapons facilities.

NBC's highly rated sitcom "Fraiser" set an industry record by winning its fifth consecutive Emmy for Outstanding Comedy Series. "Frasier" began its sixth season on a new night, filling the coveted Thursday time slot previously occupied by "Seinfeld."



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Voters in Minnesota made a statement against mainstream politics when they elected Reform Party candidate and former professional wrestler Jesse "The Body" Ventura to the statehouse. The Harley-riding, cigar-smoking new governor promised Minnesotans he would return $1 billion of the state's $3 billion budget surplus to taxpayers. Ventura, who served one term as mayor of suburban Brooklyn Park, Minn., was one of only two independent governors in the nation.

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editor's page

Well girls, it's all over- the yearbook is finally finished! I think it's been a pretty decent year for the Concept staff. We had our fair share of problems -computer troubles, lost film, no money..... the list goes on and on. We had to work hard to get around all the problems, but I think volume 51 turned out quite nicely in the end.

I want to extend a big 'Thank you!' to all my staffers who worked hard taking pictures and doing pages for the yearbook. I especially want to thank my faithful editors Meredith and Molly, who willingly agreed to do all the pages no one else would do. I also need to thank Jenny H, Rachel, Luff, and all the other people who weren't even on staff, but who still did pages for me. This yearbook would have never gotten finished without all you girls! I'd also like to thank Mr. Moll for dealing with all the financial stuff for me (and for entrusting me with my very own set of keys to the school!). And last but not least, Thank you very much to Debbie, who trekked all the way down from Indy to check up on us and answer our questions.

Well, that being said, I hope you all like the 1998-1999 yearbook. We tried some new things this year, like the retrospective and a teachers poll. Hopefully we will get a better response to the poll next year (where are your quotes, Mr. Yane? And you too, Senora?!?). We worked hard selling over $4875 dollars worth of ads to finance this 141 page masterpiece, and we spent countless hours typing away in the comp lab to get it finished. All and all, I think it turned out pretty well, and I hope you guys enjoy it too!

Your diligent, hard-working,
wicked-cool editor,

Becca Ford

In Closing....

The 1998-1999 school year has finally come to an end. 51 seniors are leaving Oldenburg Academy, and they will take with them a piece of the spirit of OA. But as they get ready to depart, Oldenburg prepares for a new group of incoming freshman, who will surely leave their mark on the school. The theme "To Infinity and Beyond" seems truly appropriate at the end of the year, as outgoing seniors set off to take on college, and incoming freshman prepare for the challenges of OA. But I realize these changes occur every year here at the Academy, and it is the coming and going of classes that make each year at Oldenburg unique and special. I am reminded of a quote by Conrad Aikens- ***"And time becomes a timeless crystal, an eternity, in which the gone and coming are at peace."*** At the end of the year, we are reminded that the momentous changes we are all going through are just the first of many changes and evolutiuons we will go through in our lives, and it is through these changes that we truly learn to live. Good luck to the seniors as they depart from OA into futures bright and full of promise, and to the new freshman as they get ready to take on OA. ***To Infinity and Beyond!***

-Becca Ford

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